

Bufs Pit Miami Hopes Against NU

By Dave Wohlforth

The Big Eight spotlight will be on Memorial Stadium this Saturday when Nebraska meets the league leading Colorado Buffaloes in a "must game" for the Buffs.

Colorado, undefeated before falling before Utah last weekend, is unbeaten in conference play but must beat Nebraska and Iowa State to win the undisputed title. Also in the picture is the trip to the Orange Bowl in Miami, on which Colorado still has the firmest grip.

The Huskers, on the other hand, would like to be the "spoiler" and upset the Buffs. The Huskers have won three, lost four and tied two and still have a chance for a winning season (5-4-1) if they can whip Colorado and Oklahoma in the final home games. The underdog Huskers will have nothing to lose and everything to gain if they can knock off the Boulder crew.

The Colorado attack is centered on the aerial arm of quarterback Gale Weidner, the league's leading passer. Weidner has completed 50 of 114 passes for 753 yards in leading the Buffs to six wins against one loss.

Big Wins
Coach Sonny Grandelius' Buffaloes own important Big Eight wins over Kansas (20-19) and Missouri (7-6) and appear to be headed for their first conference crown.

Other Colorado standouts included Jerry Hillebrand, second in the conference in pass catching with 11 receptions for 239 yards, who doubles as a place kick specialist (he is also the second leading Big Eight scorer with three TD catches, eight PATs and three field goals for 35 points).

Halfback Teddy Woods is the Buffs' leading rusher with 281 yards gained on 68 carries. Woods broke Nebraska's back last year with a 96-yard kickoff return that gave the Buffs the go-ahead TD in their 19-6 win.

Romig Leads Line
All-American right guard Joe Romig heads the Buff line corps. The 196-pound senior has been an All-Big Eight selection for two years and excels as a linebacker on defense. Romig is considered by many as the finest lineman in Colorado history.

Husker Coach Bill Jennings warned that, "The Buffs are big, strong and fast and in Gale Weidner they have the Big Eight's top passer and an Olympic sprinter in Teddy Woods."

"We'll need all hands going at top speed to keep our heads above the water against Colorado," he said.

NU in Better Shape
The Huskers are in better shape physically than a week ago preceding Nebraska's 16-13 upset of Iowa State at Ames.

Jennings announced yesterday that Rudy Johnson, injured in the Kansas game, may return to action at a left halfback spot.

Willie Ross is the only other Husker in serious shape. Ross was used in a few plays against the Cyclones and re-injured his leg.

The NU head mentor said he expected Larry Tomlinson, who missed the IS game due to an injured hand, to be ready.

Thornton To Stay
He also announced that Thunder Thornton, who had another terrific day against Iowa State gaining 92 yards, will remain at fullback and soph Dick Callahan will be at the left half slot.

End Pat Salerno and tackle Monte Kiffin, who saw plenty of action Saturday filling in for injured starters, are both currently listed on the second unit, according to Jennings.

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DAILY NEBRASKAN SPORTS

Cyclones Unhappy With Press 'Setup'

By Bob Prokop

Nebraska Coach Bill Jennings had special praise for Huskers Pat Salerno, Thunder Thornton, Bob Brown, Monte Kiffin, Dick Callahan and Dennis Claridge following the Huskers 16-13 win over Iowa State.

He called Ron Meade's field goal at the close of the first half "the turning point of the game" and said that Iowa State is "a good basic team; they have got good staying power."

Cyclone Coach Clay Stapleton, along with IS star wingback Dave Hoppmann, was upset about a headline in the Des Moines Register Saturday which labeled the Huskers, "lowly Nebraska."

Stapleton said, "We were setup for Nebraska by the press and the alumni since everybody thought Nebraska was a setup."

Hoppmann charged, "The papers added the power of bullets that beat us."

Stapleton said, "I thought Nebraska was a real good team today. After seeing the films, I'd say that NU is the best losing ball club I've seen."

Other Stapleton comments—Nebraska is going to be a good club; they've got a lot of potential.

I thought at first it was an even-even game, but looking back, we were lucky we didn't get beat worse.

If you have to lose, it's nice to lose to Bill (Jennings) and this comes from the heart."

Nebraska players were happy over their first win in five weeks but disappointed that

they let the Cyclones score their final touchdown.

End Dick McDaniel said, "Iowa State never quit. They had three men hitting Purcell and me all day, even if the back didn't have the ball, (on pass plays) and they hit hard."

Monte Kiffin, who filled in for injured tackle Bob Jones, commented, "Their line is real quick and they stayed after you well."

Other Husker quotes—Bob Brown — "They had good backs; we had to hit them twice to knock them down."

Gary Toogood—"We played a real good game. We'll do it the rest of the year."

Dennis Claridge — "They had a good team; they kept after me all the time."

Thunder Thornton, who was nursing a bloody nose suffered in the final moments of the game, commented that when he was thrown out of the game, he had fought because someone twisted his neck and tried to gouge his eyes.

The Cyclone players had plenty of praise for Thornton. Punter Gary Ellis said, "I think Thornton and Claridge are real tough. It was tough to punt against that wind (20 m.p.h.). I thought Claridge got off a real good kick in the last half against the wind."

"We beat ourselves," were the words of IS guard Tim Brown. "They won it, but we gave it to them. We came back strong; you can't say we quit at anytime. They gave us trouble the first half by slanting in on defense but we adjusted to it at halftime. We had expected Thornton to play fullback."

Hoppmann said, "On my long run, they hit me but didn't seem to want me. They arm tackled and got

—Big Eight Roundup— Bufs Meet NU in Key Loop Test; Claridge Maintains Punting Lead

Big 8 Standings

CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pts.	Opp.
Colorado	5	0	1	1,000	88
Kansas	3	1	1	533	134
Missouri	3	2	1	400	39
Iowa State	3	2	1	300	30
Oklahoma	2	2	1	400	32
NEBRASKA	2	2	1	400	25
Oklahoma St.	1	4	1	300	29
Kansas State	0	5	1	300	11

By Mike MacLean

Various travel agencies and the graying Orange Bowl Committee will be watching this week's action in the Big Eight.

At the top of the list is Colorado's venture to Nebraska. Gale Weidner and company, who have left their Christmas vacations open, will take on the Cornhuskers, who finally showed signs of offensive life against Iowa State.

Kansas State will go on the road to take on twice beaten, formerly hopeful Missouri. Kansas will travel to take on the California Bears, who were upset by Air Force Saturday.

Oklahoma, also showing signs of coming to life, will play Army in New York City. Oklahoma State will host Houston, and Tulsa will welcome Iowa State in other games.

Bufs Upset

Thrice beaten Utah sneaked into Boulder Saturday and ambushed the undefeated, league leading, alleged Miami-bound Colorado Buffaloes, 21-12.

After Colorado scored a touchdown in the first 14 plays of the game, Buff coach Sonny Grandelius sent in the second team, a decision he regretted all afternoon. Utah came right back and scored a touchdown and continued to pour it on despite the efforts of the hastily recalled first stringers. Utah scored again in the second and third quarters.

Buff quarterback Weidner hit halfback Leon Mavity with a pass late in the second quarter for the second and last TD of the afternoon for the two to three touchdown favorites.

Two key interceptions of Weidner passes by Utah in the fourth quarter put the stops on a last minute passing flurry.

Colorado was first in the Big 8 and ranked nationally, while Utah, which has been beaten by Wisconsin, Wyoming, and New Mexico, was ranked third in the Sky-

line Conference and unranked nationally.

One of Colorado's previously defeated foes, Missouri, had another bad afternoon against Oklahoma, losing 7-0. Missouri fans had to suffer through drives that fizzled at the one foot line and the nine yard line. Sooner Quarterback Bob Page passed to Jimmy Carpenter, who turned and pitched to fleet halfback Mike McClellan, who toted the ball over for the only score of the game.

The Nebraska Cornhuskers snapped a four game losing skid by scoring two touchdowns and a field goal, between scuffles, to beat Iowa State, 16-13. Bill Thornton outgained not only Dave Hoppmann but the entire Iowa State team in keeping the Husker first division hopes alive.

Kansas quarterback John Hadl ran for one touch down and passed for another to lead the Jayhawks past Kansas State, 34-0. The Kansas cause was helped a great deal by their stingy defense, which allowed Kansas State only 10 yards rushing.

The fast finishing Jayhawks, averaging 34 points in picked up 1,725 yards on the last three games, have ground and 567 in the air to go to the front of the class in total offense in the Big Eight.

Colorado, behind Gale Weidner's gifted arm, remains the leading forward passing unit, with 770 yards.

Hadl, the Jayhawk star, is first in the all-important scoring department. He has collected 36 points so far this season. Behind Hadl in the

scoring race is Buff Jerry Hillebrand with 35 points. Hoppmann, Thornton, and Curtis McClinton are deadlocked for third, all with 30 points.

Claridge Leads Punters

Nebraska's Dennis Claridge leads the Big 8 in punting, having successfully gotten off 34 boots for 1356 yards and an average of 39.8. Oklahoma State's Dave Hannah is second with 39.7 yard average and Gary Ellis of Iowa State is third with 38.0.

In the punt return category, Mavity of Colorado is the leader with a 17.1 average. Then comes Hadl of Kansas, John Cooper of Iowa State and Dennis Stuewe of Nebraska.

Hoppmann of Iowa State is still far in the lead in rushing. He has a net gain of 872 yards so far this season. Thornton, Husker half/fullback is next with a net of 599 yards. Jim Dillard of Oklahoma State is third with 407.

Colorado's Weidner still leads the league in passing, having completed 50 of 114 attempts and a gain of 753 yards. Hoppmann is second, with 38 for 79, good for 657 yards.

NU's Claridge is fifth and Ron Meade is tenth in passing.

Iowa Stater Dick Lmerick has caught 18 passes for 341 yards to lead in the receiving department. Hillebrand of Colorado has pulled down 11 passes for second place honors.

Huskers Dick McDaniel, Don Purcell and Jim Huger are 8th, 11th, and 12th respectively.



RON MEADE

Brown, after viewing the game movies.

Meade's FG important

Nebraska's three point victory over Iowa State was achieved on a 31-yard field goal by senior quarterback Ron Meade. The win marked the fifth time in Meade's career that he has provided the margin of victory in a Husker win.

The place-kicking specialist, who has now tied the school record with his career mark of seven field goals tying the mark set by Vic Halligan in 1912-14. Meade has connected on 25 of 37 extra point attempts.

He began his heroics in his sophomore year (1959) when he booted an extra point for a 7-6 win over Oregon State, kicked two PATs in the 14-12 win over Colorado and split the uprisings for two field goals and a PAT in the Huskers' stunning 25-21 upset of Oklahoma.

Last year Meade kicked a field goal and two extra points in another upset win over the Sooners, 17-14.

Ninety-nine Teams Entered In IM Basketball Leagues

The 1961-62 intramural basketball tourney got underway last night as 62 'A' team, 24 'B' teams and 13 'C' teams are entered in this year's chase for the titles.

The fifteen leagues are divided into nine 'A' leagues, four 'B' leagues and two 'C' divisions with the spotlight on the 'A' leagues where Kappa Sigma will try to defend its All-University title.

Tonight's Schedule
PE Court 1, 5:00 p.m. Sigma Phi Epsilon-A vs. Phi Gamma Delta-A

6:30 p.m. Theta Xi-A vs. Delta Tau Delta-A
7:30 p.m. Sigma Nu-A vs. Delta Sigma Pi-A
8:30 p.m. Kappa Sigma-A vs. Beta Theta Pi-A

Entries Due

Entries for the intramural table tennis and handball tourneys are due today in PE Building 102, according to Intramural Director Ed Higginbotham.

PE Court 2 5:10 p.m. Delta Sigma Phi-A vs. Sigma Alpha Mu

6:30 p.m. Pioneer vs. Pi Kappa Phi
7:30 p.m. Cornhusker-A vs. Beta Sigma Psi-A

8:30 p.m. Alpha Gamma Pho-A vs. Brown Palace

Aquaettes Reveal 27 New Members

Aquaettes, women's synchronized swimming group, has announced their list of 27 new initiates.

The new members are: Joan Beerline, Barbara Bosse, Sally Botsford, Peggy Bryans, Jean Brown, Glenelle Dashner, Susie Ducker, Christie Edinger, Barb Edwards, Lynn Ewing, Gretchen Gains, Lolly Handler, Jane Hanger, Roylenn Harvey, Julie Hile, Sue Ihle, Sandy Janike, Libby Linn, Carol Parker, Jeannie Pascale, Carol Nootz, Judy Reeder, Penny Rutherford, Nancy Seacrest, Karen Woodward, Lois Young and Carly Kittleison.



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