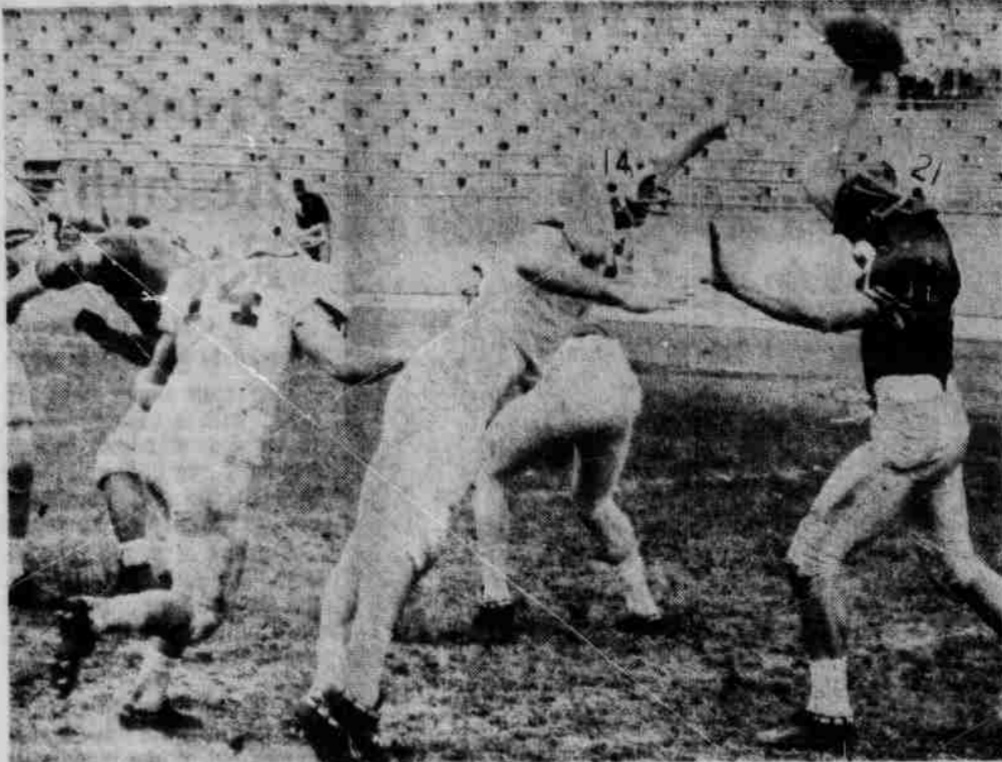


### AERIAL AIM IS READIED



GILBREATH TAKES AIM—Ron Gilbreath (40), running with the Reds unit, cocks his arm to hurl one of the many passes which filled the NU Stadium in the Huskers' football scrimmage Saturday. Charging hard is end Jim Hugs (62).



FAIMAN, TOO—John Faiman, senior quarterback, is ready to fire for the Whites.

## Quarterbacks Sparkle In First NU Scrimmage

### Reds, Whites Battle to 24-24 Tie; Coach Pleased With Offensive Show

By MIKE MACLEAN  
Sports Staff Writer

Passing and team spirit were in order Saturday at the Cornhusker's first scrimmage of the spring session. The scrimmage, which revealed the Wing-T formation, lasted an hour and involved no immediately discernible injuries.

The Huskers were divided into the white squad (first and third teams) and the red squad (second and fourth teams). The battle ended in a 24-24 tie.

Highlighting the scoring action was the effective passing of quarterbacks Dennis Claridge, John Faiman and Ron Gilbreath.

Claridge connected twice with halfback Dave Theisen and once with Bill "Thunder" Thornton with passes for touchdowns, and "optioned" the ball over from nine yards.

Faiman engineered two scores via the airways and toted the ball 34 yards (the longest run of the afternoon) around left end for a third marker. Dick Callahan snared two of Faiman's tosses, one of them for 60 yards and six points.

"We moved the ball pretty well," said a satisfied Coach Bob Devaney, who had ordered movies taken of the session. "Our offense is ahead of our defense, which is a little unusual for the spring. However, we're going to give the boys another defense next week," he continued.

The first white line was characterized by its aggressive play, with numerous tackles being made behind the line of scrimmage. At one point, Devaney had to admonish the players to quit piling on after the whistle blew. Jim Hugs was a defensive stand-out at end for the first team.

Coupled with this aggressive line, a backfield consisting of Claridge, Theisen, Kent, McCloughan and Thornton showed a lot of speed and talent which may cause considerable worry to other coaches who will have to reckon with them.

The backfield that was working with Faiman consisted of Warren Powers and John Sebastian at halfbacks and a well-healed Noel Martin at fullback.

Gilbreath teamed up with Rudy Johnson and Willie Ross at halfbacks and Mike Koehler at fullback.

The skull-knocking session was only the fourth meeting of the spring practice, in which has the team meets

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and scrimmages each Saturday.

The lineups:

**WHITES**

Ends—Tomlinson, Rogers, Huse, Brown.  
Tackles—Jones, Kramer, Vom, Grosse.  
Guards—Carlson, Garner, Toomson, McDermott.  
Center—Michka, Sittler.  
Backs—Claridge, Tucker, Theisen, D. Kirov, Smith, Thornton, Smith, McCloughan.

**REDS**

Ends—Comstock, Eger, P. Fisher, Callahan, Donovan, Doeber.  
Tackles—Robertson, Kiffin, A. Fischer, Roehl.  
Guards—Kilby, L. Johnson, Payne, R. Brown, Bond.  
Centers—Drum, Fujita.  
Backs—Faiman, Gilbreath, Powers, R. Johnson, Martin, Koehler, Sebastian, Ross.

The second practice group had these 3 teams:

Shaler team—S. Johnson and Spears, ends; Barone and Haas, tackles; Gray and Moxley, guards; Banks, center; Shaler, quarterback; Little and Simonsen, halfbacks; McNulty, fullback.

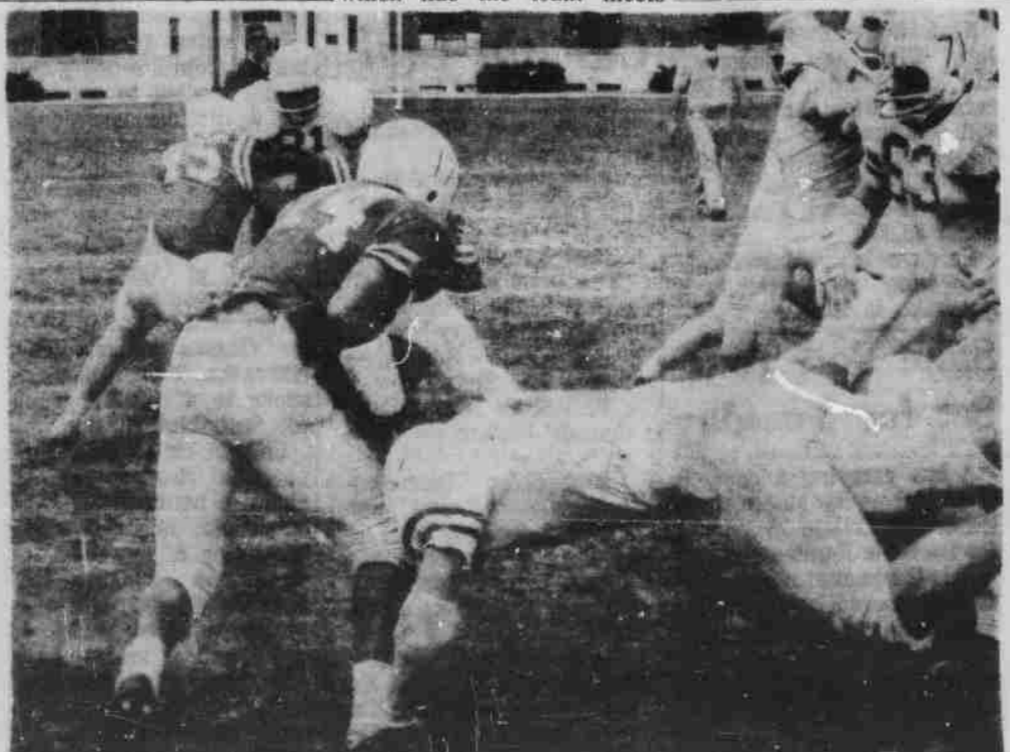
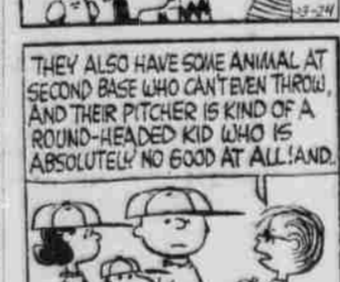
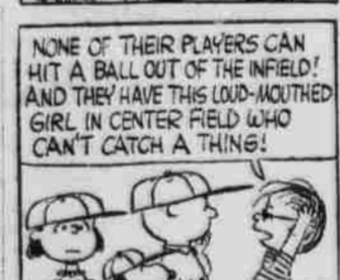
Graham team—Lockwood and Goo, end; Oestwald and Cunningham, tackles; Deryn and U. Brown, guards; Stevenson, center; Graham, quarterback; Vasevich and Paschall, halfbacks; Young, fullback.

German team—Koztan, Lucas and Boekner, ends; Weir and Craig, tackles; Ashman and Hoese, guards; Suplek, center; German, quarterback; B. Johnson, McCall, Tillotson and Bush, halfbacks; Schmitt and Hartz, fullbacks.

White scoring—Claridge (9), run; Thornton (6), pass from Claridge; Theisen (2), (3) and (3), passes from Claridge.

Red scoring—Donovan (7), pass from Gilbreath; Callahan (2) (7) and (6), passes from Faiman; Faiman (3), run.

**PEANUTS**



WILLIE LUGS THE LEATHER—Willie Ross (14), Husker halfback is hit by a diving tackler in Saturday's football scrimmage.

## Trackmen Assault Texas Relay Times

### Fleming's Brilliant Anchor Leg Sparks 4-Mile Recordbreaker

By JAN SACK  
Sports Staff Writer

Nebraska's speedsters helped rewrite the Texas Relays record book when the tracksters set one new mark and tied another in Austin over the weekend.

Mike Fleming, running a brilliant 4:05.7 anchor leg in the four-mile relay, gave Nebraska the victory and a record in that event. Fleming came from behind to shade Pat Clohessy of Houston for the win.

The Huskers, running with Mauro Altizio, John Portee, Ray Stevens and Fleming, were timed in 17:01.8, clipping the old mark of 17:02.8 set by Houston in 1961.

The Huskers won the shuttle hurdle relay race and tied the 21-year old standard when they were clocked in :58.9 for the 480-yard event. Bill Fasano, LeRoy Keane, Ron Moore and Fred Wilke of Nebraska tied the record set by the Texas All-Stars in 1941.

Sprinter Ray Knaub garnered a third victory for Nebraska when he sped through

the 100-yard dash with a :09.6 clocking.

Nebraska's 440-yard relay team composed of Wilke, Steve Pfister, Don Degnan and Knaub tied for second in :41.2 with the Baylor quartet.

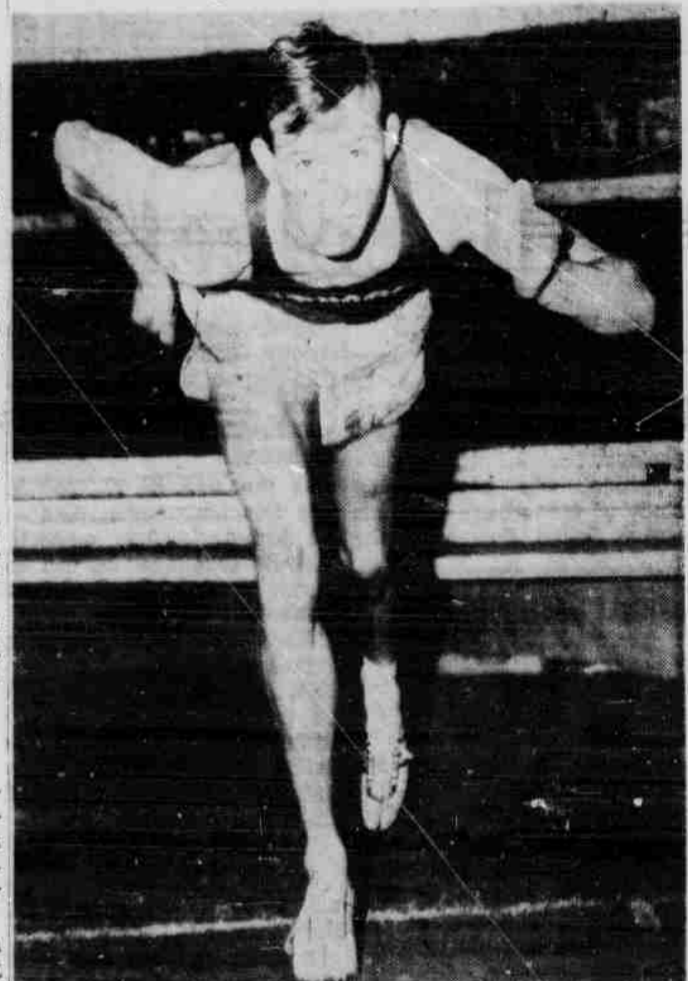
Hurdler Ron Moore placed fifth in the University division of the 120-yard high with a :14.9 mark.

The Scarlet distance medley relay team composed of Gil Gebro, Portee, Stevens and Fleming did not place.

The outstanding team performances of the meet was turned in by Texas Southern, an all-Negro team. The Texans won all five of the events in the college division and set records in every one of them.

Using only 11 runners, Texas Southern swept the 880-yard, mile, sprint medley, 440-yard and two-mile relays for an incredible team showing.

The Huskers will open the regular track season this Saturday when they travel to Colorado Springs to meet Colorado and the Air Force Academy.



KNAUB SHINES IN TEXAS—Ray Knaub, Nebraska sprinter, was a standout for the Huskers in the Texas Relays at Austin. Knaub won the 100-yard dash in :09.6 and was on the NU 440-yard relay team which finished second.

# DAILY NEBRASKAN SPORTS

## Sports Staff Views

By Mike MacLean

### Optimism Explainable

mism over the coming football season, finally, in my opinion, has many reasons for its existence.

Coach Bob Devaney, in contrast with Bill Jennings when he arrived, brings with him a winning record. He has proven that he can get the job done. Jennings had never had a head college coaching job.

Winning is the reason that football is played. Devaney has proven that he can do just that. I do not expect miracles; he will have a sizeable adjustment to make, working with a new team in a new league.

What I do expect is for Nebraska to play a tough, consistent, offensive-minded brand of football.

Devaney has a staff that he knows and can work with. He is not burdened with any unwanted legacies; the two coaches he retained from the Jennings era were kept on his own volition.

After a game last year I was talking to Bill Thornton, and he remarked that losing is contagious; that the younger players who are new to the squad soon pick up a bad attitude from the older players who have suffered through defeat after defeat. This makes a lot of sense.

### Winning Ways

The same can be said, however, for winning. Devaney is used to winning; he knows how to win; winning seasons do not happen by accident. This is what he brings with him and this is what the players no doubt perceive in their coach. I am sure that this is contagious too. In my opinion, this contributes as much to success as any hulking line or fleet backfield.

The players have to prove themselves to the new coach. Nobody is assured of anything. This will inspire considerable effort beyond what is necessary to get by. The players first evinced their respect for Devaney and the situation by showing up for spring practice in good shape, ready for work.

A player like Thornton will be better utilized by the new offense. Instead of stacking their defenses against him, opposing teams will have to reckon with the outside threat and passing game that goes with the offense. The option play, of which there has been a dearth recently at Nebraska, is always dangerous. The combination of these in an offense will keep the defenses honest next fall—a far cry from the desperation of running a crippled "Thunder" into the line time after time,

and then doing nothing but pass for an entire quarter. The wing-T relies upon power and diversity not the abilities of one wornout fullback. In reality, Husker fans will witness a "new" team.

### Speed Important

Devaney does not go for size as such. He wants players that are fast and like to hit—a combination which adds up to getting the job done. Again, this is a far cry from a line of behemoths that get shoved around by a lighter, faster and more effective line, week after week.

Tippy Dye also brings fine reputation to Nebraska with him. He has many contacts which will help Devaney a lot in his recruiting duties. This too should have a positive influence on the players—to have an athletic director who has a winning record instead of one who excels in afterdinner speeches.

Nebraska will have a hard season. If they get beat, however, it will be because they played a better team, not because the players didn't happen to be "up" or the chips didn't accidentally fall into place.

This is the picture, in my opinion. Players who want to play and want to win, a coach who not only wants to win but knows how to, and a school and a state that are awfully hungry for a winning team—its been a long two decades.

I wish good luck to the players, Bob Devaney and his staff. I hop that they will live up to their capabilities, and once again make Nebraska a power instead of a patsy.

## Golf Squad Wins Opener

Nebraska's golf team opened the season by beating Creighton 14-1 Friday at the Lincoln Country Club.

Husker Bill Gunlicks was medalist with 75 strokes for 18 holes.

**Match Scores:**  
Bud Williamson (N) 79, Tom Schuchart (C) 87, Jerry Overgard (N) 88, Bud Getzender (C) 89; Bill Hemmer (N) 78, Bill Fischer (C) 96; Stan Schrag (N) 81, Jim LaFond (C) 91; Gunlicks 75; Pat Duran (C) 85.

## Iranians Capture Volleyball Crown

The Iranians edged the Sigma Phi Epsilon volleyball team in Friday's game for the All-University title.

The Sig Eps ran away with the first game with 15-8, but the Iranians rallied to take the next two games to win.

## Water Basketball

Intramural water basketball will start soon. The defending deepwater champs are Beta Theta Pi while Pioneer Co-op holds the shallow crown.

The double elimination tournament games will start promptly at 5 p.m. weekdays and Saturday mornings.

There will be four periods of four and a half minutes each in each game, with no time outs allowed.

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