

# 'Thanks Students'—Devaney

To the Students:  
 "The coaching staff, football players, and myself want to thank the students of the University of Nebraska for the splendid support they have given us throughout this year.

After the games, we received many telegrams from the fraternities and sororities. While I have not been able to thank each of these individually, I do want them to know that their interest has not gone unnoticed.

We feel that the success of any football team is dependent to a large degree on the attitude and support of the University student body, and in this respect the Nebraska students have been the best."

Bob Devaney  
 Head Football Coach



BILL PARSONS—6-4 forward will be in the lineup when Southern Cal invades the Coliseum to open a two-game series Friday.

## Wrestlers Lose Dual

By MICK ROOD  
 Sports Staff Writer

Mike Nissen and Steve Walenz of Nebraska maintained their unblemished dual records, but the Husker wrestlers dropped a 29-11 match to powerful Iowa State, Wednesday night at the Coliseum.

Walenz, wrestling at 115, boosted Husker hopes with a lead-off pin over State's Brian Kubota. The strong lightweight dominated the first period and eventually pinned his adversary in 2:35.

Nissen had a seemingly easy time with highly regarded Roger Sebert, beating him, 9-2. Nissen failed to pin the invader but gained points on a near-fall and a predicament.

At 157, Jim Weist nearly pulled out a last minute victory over Ali Sharify. Weist came to life in the third period with a take-down and an escape but couldn't overcome the early deficit and lost, 4-3.

In the most exciting match of the evening, Don McDermott battled Bill Abbas to a 3-3 draw.

The loss left the Huskers with one win and two losses. The next Husker wrestling action will be at the A.A.U. tournament Thursday through Saturday nights at Pershing Auditorium. Most of the Husker matmen will be in competition including freshmen in the open tournament.

Results:  
 115—Steve Walenz (N) pinned Brian Kubota (IS) in 2:35. 125—Mike Nissen (N) defeated Roger Sebert (IS), 9-2. 141—Lloyd Stewart (N) defeated Dick Van Sickle (IS), 3-2. 157—Larry Weist (N) defeated Ali Sharify (IS), 4-3. 174—Don McDermott (N) drew Bill Abbas (IS), 3-3.



WILLIE ROSS—Husker halfback is star after Gotham Bowl heroics.

## Ross Selected 'Star of Week' For Outstanding Bowl Showing

By AL SPORE  
 Staff Sports Writer

When the final whistle blew to end the Gotham Bowl game last Saturday and the sparse crowd swarmed out on the field not all of the autograph seeking youngsters had their eye on Miami's sensational All-American George Mira.

Although Mira had turned in undoubtedly the finest performance of the afternoon when he passed for over 200 yards, many of the young fans huddled around Nebraska's No. 21, Willie Ross.

Ross had produced the winning margin for the Huskers with a total offensive effort of 197 yards, and two touchdowns. For this performance Willie Ross received the Outstanding Player Award for the Scarlet and the Nebraska 'Star of the Week'. Ross's first electrifying run

came in the second quarter with the Huskers trailing, 12-6. Willie gathered in the Miami kick-off on his own eight and with the aid of some well placed blocks and Coach Devaney's new kick-off return pattern rambled 92 yards for the tying score.

Ross had set up the Huskers initial score earlier in the contest when he scampered 43 yards to put Nebraska in scoring position.

Willie came through with another key play in the third quarter when he gathered in a 28 yard pass from Claridge and sustain a Husker drive for their fourth score.

Ross capped the afternoon with a one yard plunge in the final frame of his second score and the winning TD for the Scarlet.

Ross, who was not available for comment, was fortunate

to turn in his fine showing when other Huskers were up for the post-season fracas. The team effort produced the victory but the fine running of Ross sparked the team and kept the spirited Huskers in the game all afternoon.

## From the Stick

By RICK AKIN  
 Sports Editor

Christmas time offers little relief for the college teams around the country. Basketball teams have their holiday tournaments and football teams have the bowl games.

The Huskers got their Christmas presents early with their fine effort in New York at the Gotham Bowl. In answer to Coach Devaney's letter in columns one and two, Thank you, the coaching staff, and the football players for giving the students a helluva season.

**Cagers in Action**  
 Nebraska's cagers have the Big Eight Preseason Tournament to tackle during their Christmas vacation.

The first game of the tournament looks like it should be about the best game of the tourney. In this one Colorado takes on Kansas.

Nebraska gets Iowa State in its opening game and if the Huskers can keep playing poised basketball as they did against Miami the other night, and Coach Bush finds a consistent fifth man, the Huskers may have some surprises for the Kansas Citizens as well as the Big Eight.

**Colorado Tops**  
 Colorado should grab the trophy meeting Kansas State in the finals. Kansas State shouldn't be too pressed as it plays Missouri, which has lost two of its top men via the injury, in the opening. The two Oklahoma teams are the only ones left in the Wildcats' bracket, which shouldn't be too great a hurdle for Tex Winter's crew.

The bowl games should be the best in many years with the best teams in the nation facing each other.

The Rose Bowl should be the top one of the New Year's Day activities. Southern Cal, the nation's No. one team, meets Wisconsin, the No. two team and Big Ten champ.

**Toss Up**  
 This one is practically a toss up but the Stick will have to go along with Wisconsin since the Badgers have seen the tougher competition this season. WISCONSIN.

The Orange Bowl is of particular interest to Big Eight fans since Oklahoma, the Big Eight champ, will face Bear Bryant's Alabama club.

This should be a real knock-down-drag-'em-out fight as both teams are rated highly. Alabama is always rugged but the Sooners have got too much momentum going and the layover won't hurt them that much. OKLAHOMA.

**Cotton Bowl**  
 The Cotton Bowl, a Dallas, Tex. classic, finds Texas and Louisiana State in the running. Texas has been strong this season even though their preseason hopes have not become a reality, the Longhorns should come out on top.

Louisiana State started to move at the end of the season but don't have the horses. TEXAS.

The Bluebonnet Bowl is also of interest to Big Eight fans since Missouri is pitted against Georgia Tech. Last Kansas made the Big Eight shine with an impressive victory.

**Mizzou Again**  
 And Missouri will probably do the same thing. MISSOURI.

If Missouri and Oklahoma take home wins, it will make three Big Eight teams to grab bowl victories after the Cornhuskers accomplished the task.

Stick Sidelight—College football attracted 21 million people last season even though the number of colleges participating declined.

610 teams drew the crowds as the attendance increased for the ninth consecutive year.

## All-Opponent Team Tabbed

Conrad Hitchler, Missouri end, and Tom Hertz, Miznou guard, dominated the balloting as the Husker football selected its all opponent team from the players met during the regular season.

The players with votes received in parentheses:

**First Team**

Ends: Hitchler (55) Missouri; Blair (46) Colorado.

Tackler: Wallach (50) Missouri; Ward (48) Oklahoma.

Guards: Hertz (55) Missouri; Crous (47) Oklahoma.

Center: Lee (40) Oklahoma.

Quarterback: Hoppmann (37) Iowa State.

Halfbacks: Bayers (50) Kansas; Roland (39) Missouri.

Fullback: Grisham (53) Oklahoma.

**Second Team**

Ends: Replogle (23) Oklahoma State; Flynn (19) Oklahoma.

Tacklers: Wilder (35) North Carolina State; Eisenman (20) Kansas.

Guards: Walton (19) Iowa State; Tiger (18) Kansas.

Center: Vermillion (30) Missouri.

Quarterback: Deere (25) Oklahoma.

Halfbacks: Looney (32) Looney (32) Oklahoma; Scarpati (23) North Carolina State.

Fullback: Underhill (18) Missouri.

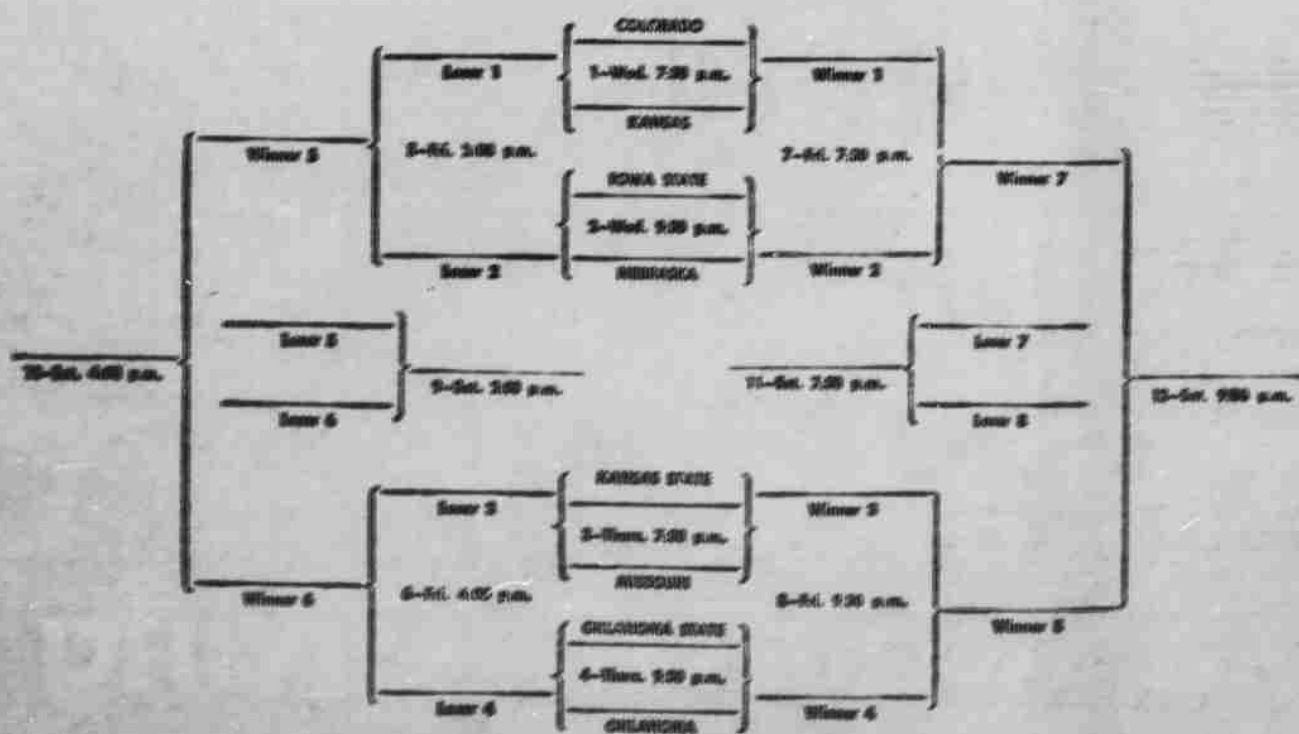


## Tonight's IM Games

Thursday, December 20th  
 P. E. C. I 5:00 Delta Tau Delta-A vs. Kappa Sigma-A  
 5:00 Sigma Alpha Mu vs. Phi Delta Theta-A

## 1962 Big Eight Pre-Season Basketball Tournament Bracket

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