



CARS AND CRUSHED ROCK . . . replace footballs and grass on the Stadium Mall.

Lack of Playing Fields May Cancel IM Football

The loss of six football fields and the addition of 15 flag football teams may force cancellation of the fall intramural flag football program. Joel Meier, University intramural director, confirmed this week.

Meier said that he is anticipating replacing football with volleyball in the event facilities in Lincoln can not be found.

"I'm working with the Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department and the Lincoln Public Schools in trying to find fields that meet certain requirements," he said.

FINAL DECISION

Meier said he wants one or two areas large enough to accommodate 20 football fields with equipment storage space, office space and locker rooms with showers and within ten minutes walking distance of the University.

He added that a final decision to continue the program will be delayed until next Friday, but "if I don't have any more fields by then it will be too late to start football this year."

"Even if we locate areas, we will get a late start," he said. "We won't be able to start for at least three

Auto Accident Stops Hellbusch

Track standout Les Hellbusch will be sidelined during the cross-country season following a knee injury suffered in a recent automobile accident.

Hellbusch, who has competed in the 880-yard-run, said that he hopes to return for the upcoming indoor track season.

Freshman Cager Due For Physical

Freshman basketball players are asked to report for physicals at the Student Health Center at 7 p.m. Sept. 20. Persons interested in a student manager position for the freshman cage squad should contact Coach Glenn Potter at room 207 in the Coliseum.

weeks because schedules must be drawn, fields must be mowed and marked, and equipment must be assigned."

NOT PRACTICAL. Meier said the only fields available for flag football are three fields on the east campus and "it just isn't practical to use them for the entire schedule."

He calculated that the expected 109 intramural teams would be divided into

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By Jack Todd

Bill Bowerman, Oregon University track coach, calls them "molly-coddled namby-pambies." A former Colorado football coach says they're tougher, faster and twice as dedicated as a decade ago. From any viewpoint, today's athletes are a special breed.

To get on top, they'll use anything — pep pills, featherweight shoes, fiber-glass poles. They'll work out at all times, under all conditions. Despite the scientific nature of their training programs, they remain a suspicious lot.

Jim Ryun, the phenomenal Kansas miler, refuses the usual pre-meet fare of tea and toast. Before one sub-four minute effort, he wolfed two hamburgers, an order of fries and a large Coke, if you please. After the race, he felt a "little woozy."

During the season, they live a life that most would call paradise — gigantic steaks, free movies, and "laundry money" help while away free hours. But there's no getting away from the field—and the reminders. "Ya wanna lose your scholarship, bum? Get to work!"

A few laps around a practice field can make the best steak taste like dry hay—and a few solid lumps can make a soft bed a Hindu torture rack.

But Saturday brings the "namby-pambies" onto the field — into a stadium that with 60,000 bawling fans can make the dark hole of Calcutta look like paradise.

17 leagues with 6 teams in each league. This means each team would play five games, requiring 255 league games to complete the league season and 30-40 additional playoff games.

Playing 15 games five days a week on the three fields would stretch the regular season into late December or early January. It's unlikely that all games could be played without the cold weather setting in, Meier said.

CONSTRUCTION SQUEEZE

He said that last year the intramural games were played on four fields in the women's physical education area, three fields on east campus and two non-regulation sized fields on the Mall.

However, the construction of the new Women's PE Building, meant that the fields were not be leased to the Intramural Department as the women were expanding their facilities.

Meier said that a parking lot constructed on half of the mall during the summer, also eliminated holding games in the Mall.

"SCRAPED AND HUNTED" He said that the football fields have caused problems for the last ten years and that the department has "scraped and hunted" trying to get the season games completed.

Two years ago, space was so limited that games were played up to the first snowfall and the football finals were held the following spring.

"I don't think people really realize how pressed we are as far as space is concerned," he added in explaining that the University "is far behind" in providing facilities for almost 18,000 students.

Fall Intramural Managers Meet

Organizations interested in participating in the fall intramural sports program are asked to have a representative present at an intramural manager's meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in 114 Men's Physical Education Building.

Devaney Faces Tough Assignment . . .

Huskies To Test Eager NU Gridders

By Mark Gordon
Sports Editor

Nebraska's opener Saturday against the Washington Huskies may be Bob Devaney's toughest early-season assignment since coming to Lincoln in 1962.

Coach Jim Owens' Huskies, who compiled a 6-4 record while handing UCLA its only loss, brings nine starters from last year's defensive crew that allowed opponents only 141 points.

Like the Huskies, Washington finds several sophomores pressing upperclassmen for starting berths.

QUARTERBACKS BATTLE

At quarterback, the Huskies have three inexperienced men, Al Fierro, Frank Patrick and Ernie Sigler, battling for the starting nod. Washington's 1966 starting quarterback is facing a challenge from a surprising sophomore for Saturday's opening call.

Tom Sparlin, who led the team in offense in 1966 with 1,086 total yards, is battling sophomore Tom Manke, who has shown ability to pass consistently, for the signal calling job.

Returning Husky offensive standouts include tackle Bob Richardson, a 6' 3", 240 pound senior who was named to honorable mention positions on the Associated Press All-Coast and All-Conference teams. Halfback Carl Wojciechowski, a 5' 11" 190 pound junior, is staging a battle with Gerald Wea, a strong runner and receiver, for the starting offensive halfback post.

At flanker back is Jim Cope, who established a single Huskie game reception mark against USC with 11 receptions for two touchdowns, and averaged 4.3 yards on 40 rushes last season.

Joining Cope at flanker will probably be Harrison Wood, a 6' 2", 190 pound junior, who not only runs well but also cleared 6' 4" in the high jump last track season.

Defensively, the Huskies are led by 6' 5" 230 pound tackle Steve Thompson, who was named to the AP All-American honorable mention berth last year.

VALUABLE TOE

Other defensive stars include middle linebacker George Jugum, a 6', 225 pound junior and two-letter winner Bob Pederson, a senior safety who was second in the AAWU in pass interceptions.

But the big gunner may be kicker Don Martin,

whose toe banged out 45 points to lead Huskie scoring in 1966.

Martin averaged almost 41 yards per punt last season and booted four field goals against Washington State to set an all-time Huskie record. He scored on 15 of 17 extra point attempts and missed on only one field goal in 11 attempts.

Washington has the credentials to hand the Huskies their first opening game setback since Texas blanked Nebraska 20-0 in 1959, but Devaney and his squad are pessimistic about their chances.

"Washington always has a good sound teams and we know they are one of the best teams out west, but we'll be ready for them," the Husker mentor said.

Defensive tackle Harry (Piggle) Meagher said the defense was on a par with last year's squad that led the Big Eight in total defense.

MORE SPEED

"We seem to be faster than last year and everyone knows what their job is," he added.

Split end Dennis Richnafsky, who was leading the Husker receiving corps after three games in 1966 when he suffered a fractured ankle, said the offense was coming along fine and that "the teamwork has been sharp in practice."

NEBRASKA SHORTS

The Nebraska-Washington game, with 3,000 Nebraskans expected, is a sell-out with an anticipated 53,000 crowd. Frank Patrick is expected to be ready to go Saturday after a recurrence of a leg injury sidelined him last week. Tackle Dan Delaney is not expected to see action against Washington.

Young Husker Harriers Aim For First Division

Nebraska's young cross-country team began practice Monday for its first meet Oct. 14 at Manhattan against the Kansas State Wildcats, defending Big 8 champion.

With no seniors present on this fall's squad, Nebraska will be shooting for an improvement of its last-place finish the previous year.

Returning junior standout Don Bishoff is joined by some promising sophomores, according to coach Frank Sevigne.

SOPHOMORES HELP

"We are looking for help from sophomores Mel Campbell, Mike Randal and Bob Tupper," Sevigne noted. "They all have been pushing Bishoff for the number one position."

Rounding out the seven-

man squad are juniors Phil Medcalf, Kent Radke and Gregg Young.

Les Hellbusch, 1966 starter, who recently underwent a knee operation, is not expected to compete this season.

Coach Sevigne said that it would be a struggle for Nebraska to get in the first division in the Big 8 meet, Nov. 10, at Boulder, Colo.

KANSAS PICKED

He rated Kansas as the meet's favorite, with defending champion Kansas State and Colorado as strong contenders. Kansas State and Colorado were second and third place finishers, respectively, in the NCAA meet last year.

Oct. 14 — Kansas State University away
Oct. 21 — University of Colorado home
Oct. 28 — University of Missouri away
Nov. 4 — Iowa State University home
Nov. 10 — Conference meet at Boulder

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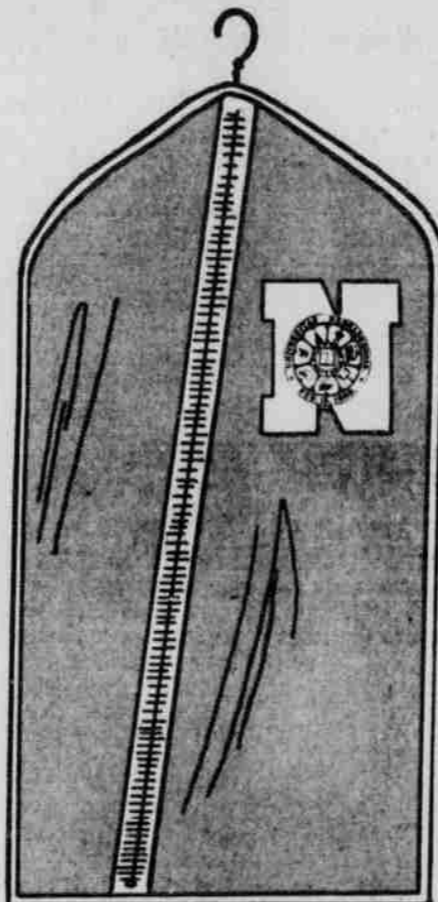
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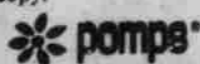
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