

League Leaders in Passing . . . Fired-Up Wildcats Challenge NU

By CHARLES DAVIES
Assistant Sports Editor
Bob Devaney's Cornhuskers may be facing the toughest Kansas State team Saturday at Manhattan since he began coaching Nebraska in 1962.
Coach Vince Gibson's Wildcats host a squad of 27 returning lettermen that

outclassed Colorado State 17-7 two weeks ago.
Gibson, new head coach at Kansas State, has already rejuvenated the Wildcat with its first victory since November 21, 1964.
TOPS IN AERIALS
The Huskers will be facing the leading passing team, offensively and de-

fensively, in the Big Eight conference.
However, Kansas State is at the bottom of Big Eight rushing, offensively and defensively. The Wildcats fell to Virginia Tech last week 15-3.
Leading the Wildcat aerial attack, which has averaged 164.5 yards a

game, is junior quarterback Bill Nossek, the leading passer in the Big Eight with 19 completions for 298 yards.
GOOD HANDS
Receiving the ball from Nossek is 6'1" 185 pound flanker back Dave Jones, the Big Eight's leading pass catcher. Jones has grabbed 9 passes for 131 yards in two games.
Tight end Art Strozier is a close second to Jones in the pass receiving department. The 6'2" 206-pound Strozier has 8 receptions for 127 yards.
Nebraska may be meeting the finest pass-catch combination in Nossek and Dave Jones they will face all year.

man of the Week following the K-State win.
16 ALL ALONE
Team captain Lankas accounted for 16 unassisted tackles, 5 assists, and one pass interception in the game.
Joining Lankas on the Wildcat defensive unit are 6'2" 226-pound tackle Bill Salat and 5'10" 194-pound end Bill Kennedy.
Salat and Kennedy were both praised by Kansas State coaches for their play against Colorado State.
46.7 YARD AVERAGE
Defensive halfback Lodi Rhodes heads the Big Eight's leading defensive secondary which has held opponents to 73 yards passing average per game. Rhodes also did an outstanding job in Kansas State's opening game according to his coaches.
Rhodes is joined by 6'1" 184-pound safety Mitch Borota and 6' 191-pound halfback in the defensive backfield.
Kansas State also sports Big Eight punting leader Bob Cobel. The Junior punter is averaging a whopping 46.7 yards a kick in his first two games.
Kansas State has not beaten Nebraska since 1959 when they pulled off a 29-14 victory.



TRAIL-BLAZING . . . sophomore Mel Campbell forges the way to a promising cross-country season.

Husker Harrier Foresees Improved Big Eight Finish

By MARK GORDON
Sports Editor

Mel Campbell would like nothing better than to lead the University cross-country team to the same prominence his high school teams achieved.

During Campbell's junior and senior years at Ainsworth High School, he guided his team to Nebraska Class B state championships in 1964 and 1966.

While a junior, he placed third in the state meet and won the state championship with a 10:09 clocking over the two mile track in 1965 while a senior.

OUT OF CELLAR?

In 1966 he placed third in the Class B state mile competition, finishing out a high school career that won him two cross-country and three track letters while at Ainsworth.

Now a sophomore runner on coach Frank Sevigne's University crew, Campbell foresees an improvement in Husker fortunes.

"We have to do better than last year," he said, "since we have almost an entirely different team this year."

Junior Don Bishoff is the only returnee from last year's cellar-dwelling Husker team.

Although no freshman meets were scheduled last fall, Campbell worked out with the varsity team and ran throughout the year.

"Cross country isn't like other sports," he said. "You have to work out all year. When you get done running you run some more."

Campbell and his Nebraska teammates run one-to-two-hour daily workouts either northwest of town, at Pioneer Park or on the football practice field. The weekly workouts total almost 70 miles of roadwork. He said practice sessions

never include running the three mile meet distance. They are always shorter or longer distances.

"The shorter races build pace while the longer ones develop endurance," he said.

Although Campbell faces his first varsity competition Oct. 14 at Manhattan against the Kansas State Wildcats, he was unable to predict his time.

15 MINUTE GOAL

"Time is rather irrelevant because every cross country course is different," he said. "But I would like to be under 15 minutes."

"Although the college course is a mile longer than the high school it doesn't make a lot of difference," he said. "The runners are more mature and they have run more."

Campbell shouldn't feel he is running with unfamiliar faces on this year's team.

The state's first and second place runners in the state mile championships are both on this year's first freshman cross-country squad.

Larry Kassebaum from Hebron and Tom Housel, Lexington, both will run with the yearlings this fall.

Junior Phil Medcalf was the state's second place finisher while Campbell was running third.

The sophomore microbiology major said the Huskers are trying to get into the Big Eight's first division, but they will meet stiff competition from both Kansas State and the Kansas Jayhawks.

"Colorado will also be tough as the Big Eight meet will be held at Boulder," he said.

By DAVE WALLNER

Instead of protecting their territory on the football field, seven members of Nebraska's defending Big Eight champs protected Lincolmites this summer as police officers.

Huskers' Dan Delaney, Al Fierro, Ben Gregory, Jim McCord, Harry (Piggy) Meagher, Jerry Patton and Ivan Zimmer participated in the program providing summer employment for Nebraska athletes.

Annually, the Lincoln Police Force is depleted by summer vacations and hires University athletes as short-term replacements.

This project, headed by Lincoln Police Captain Dale Adams, was started prior to World War II and resumed after the War in 1947.

BETTER RELATIONS

Adams, a Husker fullback in the late '40's, also participated in the program's first stages.

"The system provides a means of cementing a better relationship between the University and the community," Adams said.

"The boys have done a commendable job in the past years," he added, "and I'm certain they leave the force with a better understanding of law enforcement, of people and, even more important, of themselves."

GUNS, TOO

The seven newcomers were equipped with standard patrolmen's uniforms, including guns, and were expected to perform the same daily duties of regular officers.

"People just don't know all the things a policeman has to do," halfback Ben Gregory said. "We did so many different jobs, from fingerprinting stolen cars to investigating suicides."

"My biggest problem was that I'd never hardly touched a gun before, and I sure was glad I didn't have to use it."

Defensive tackle Harry Meagher said the experience provided a variety of cases and made him more cognizant of a policeman's duty.

DON'T LOOK DOWN

"I wish that every citizen had a chance to do the same job and then people might not look down their noses so often at policemen," he said.

The seven Huskers worked full time and received a beginning patrolman's salary. Each teamed up with another officer on cruiser or detective duty with some working nights, while others primarily worked days.

"There was an armed robbery at the Holiday Inn and I was assigned to a roadblock on Cornhusker Highway," said quarterback Al Fierro. "I was scared to death because I was always waiting for someone to stick a gun out of a car window."

ALWAYS LEARNING

Tackle Dan Delaney said

that his summer job provided many surprises.

"It's hard to believe the number of people I ran into while on duty that I knew before," he added, "and there were so many unpredictable incidents, each one a little different from the others."

"We were constantly learning," he said.

Meagher summed up the group's feelings: "The insight about people, that's what really counts. You can't measure that in terms of a paycheck."

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