

'NU, CU Out For Victory'

"We've got to continue to play well. Just because we're young is not an excuse to give up," halfback Joe Orduna said after Nebraska's disappointing 21-16 loss to the Colorado Buffaloes.

The 5'10", 194 pound former Omaha Central standout had ten carries for 98 yards and caught a 39-yard pass which almost went for a touchdown.

This included a 27-yard run over left tackle in the third quarter pulling the Huskers to within one point, 14-13.

"The touchdown in this game was a sweep while the other one (a similar touchdown against Minnesota) was an option run," he explained.

With Orduna leading the way, the Cornhuskers rolled up 402 total yards, a season high.

"We tried a lot harder," Orduna said. "We worked as a team."

"They wanted to win a game as much as anyone," Coach Bob Devaney said of his Cornhuskers.

Devaney said Orduna did a "real good job."

"He is getting better all the time," Devaney said.

"I looked and it was gone," Orduna said, referring to his four-quarter fumble which turned the ball over to Colorado on their own 16-yard line.

Orduna said Colorado was good but thought Nebraska could beat them.

"They (Colorado) were up for the game too," he said.

Orduna said that during the end of the game, the attitude of the team was, "we had to get a touchdown."

Bufs Sink NU Title Hopes, 21-16

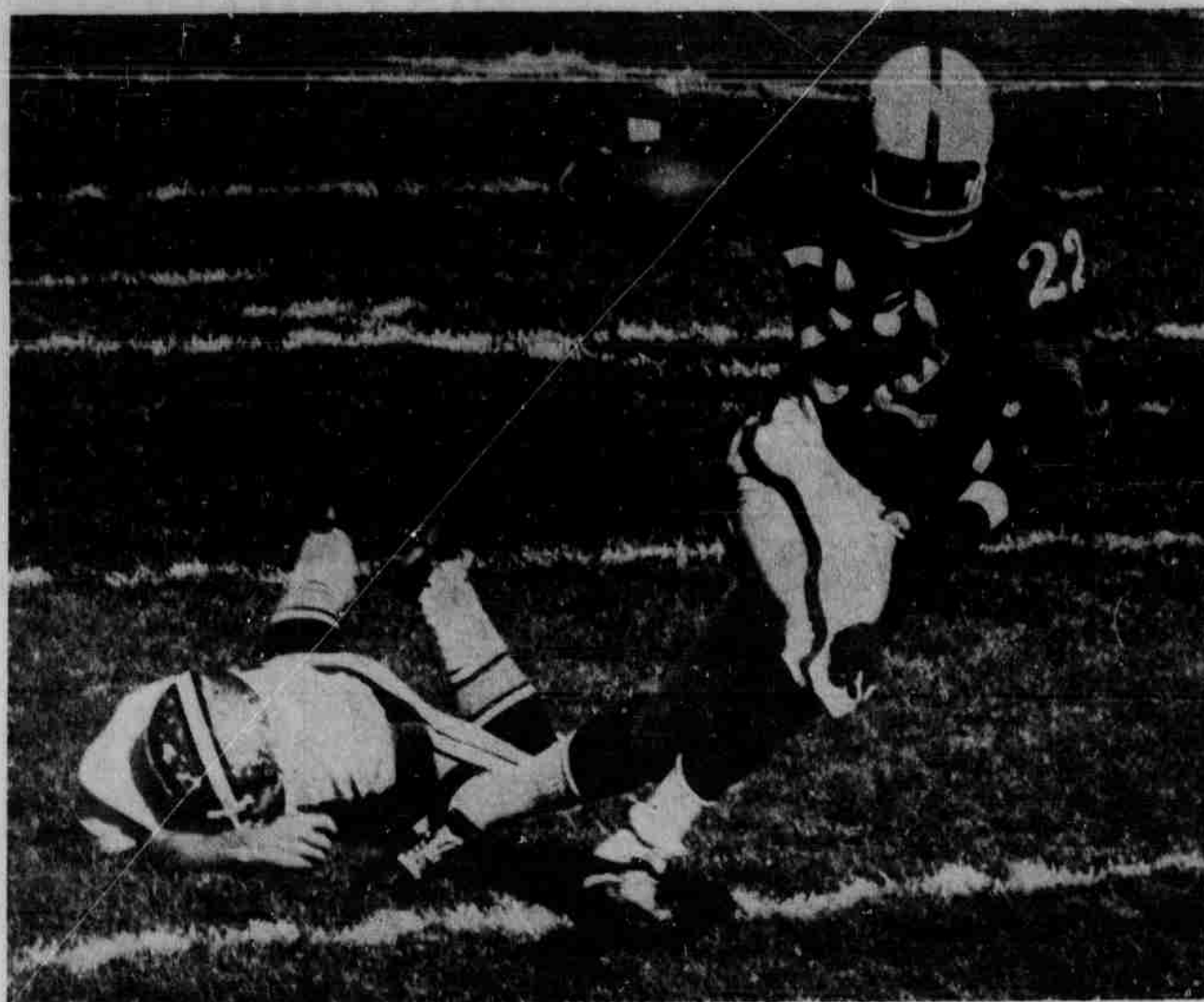


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RETURNING TO HIS OLD FORM... "Pope" starts down the 17-yard homestretch for first Husker touchdown.

Strong Husker Defense Unit Shuts Out Wildcat Freshmen

Nebraska's freshman football squad made a successful debut Friday,

defeating the Kansas State Wildcats at Manhattan 24-0. Racking up 363 total

yards, Coach Cletus Fischer's yearlings outclassed a Wildcat squad considered the schools best in many years.

Leading the powerful rushing offense was James Smith, a 167 pound halfback from Midland, Pa. who netted 101 yards.

Smith had a spectacular 67-yard touchdown run in the second quarter putting the Huskers ahead 14-0.

Quarterback Rick Wender led the team well, completing five of 11 passes for 89 yards and running for 23 yards on 4 carries.

"He did a real good job of quarterbacking for his first game," Fischer said. Halfback Dan Schneiss recorded the first Nebraska touchdown on a two-yard run before Smith's touchdown.

In the fourth quarter, halfback Paul Rogers kicked a 27-yard field goal and Kearney halfback Tom Heller scored on a six-yard run to complete the scoring.

"Both the offense and defense played well," Fischer said. When the defense holds the opposition scoreless, "you know they've done a fine job," the Husker coach added.

"They (K-State) were supposed to have a passing team with the best quarterback prospect they've ever had," Fischer added.

Fischer said the game plan was to control the ball, running the majority of the plays while adding a few passes to keep the defense honest.

"We will probably throw more in the future," he said.

"We mainly wanted to find out what kind of football players they were," he said.

Fischer felt that the Wildcats were "pretty good offensively." "Our defense didn't give them much of a chance," he said.

Nebraska will face Missouri's Tigers, who have beaten the Wildcats 12-7 and dropped a 40-7 verdict to the Iowa State freshmen.

'Colorado Outplayed' But Mistakes Prevail

By MARK GORDON Sports Editor

One of the three Sugar Bowl representatives in Memorial Stadium aptly described Saturday's Big Eight showdown by saying, "They badly outplayed them."

The defending champion Nebraska, outplayed Colorado's aspiring Buffaloes, who seem destined for the league crown, in all but three categories in Saturday's contest.

Nebraska lost in fumbles and intercepted passes factors ultimately leading to Colorado's 21-16 win.

"The guys realize we can beat anyone with a few breaks" halfback Ben Gregory said after the Buffs turned two pass interceptions into 14 points that all but sunk Husker hopes for a fifth straight conference title.

SNEAKY

With the score tied seven apiece on a Frank Patrick to Gregory 17 yard pass and a six yard Buffalo samper by Larry Plantz, Colorado received their first big break if the afternoon.

Colorado's brilliant safetyman Dick Anderson stole a Patrick toss and returned it 25 yards upfield when he was swarmed by red-shirted Huskers. He then lateralled to defensive end Mike Veeder who traveled the remaining 45 yards for the go-ahead touchdown with 49 seconds left in the half.

The Huskers took the ensuing kickoff downfield until they found themselves at the four-yard line after a Colorado defender interfered with pass receiver Dennis Richnafsky.

With no time showing on the stadium clock, back Dick Davis, who rumbled for 68 yards Saturday, latched the ball into the end zone from the one in hopes of a Husker recovering it for the six points.

But Colorado recovered ending the half at 14-7, Colorado.

33 YARDS

After a Joe Orduna 27

yard run over left tackle, Jeff Raymond picked off another Patrick toss in the third quarter from his defensive halfback spot and returned it 76 yards for an 21-13 CU lead.

Kicker Bill Bomberger booted a 33 yard field goal, midway in the final stanza, but by then the damage had been done.

Nebraska moved to the Colorado 16 late in the game, but a fumble by Orduna, who played his finest game of his career with 98 yards on 10 carries, ended the threat.

An earlier second quarter fumble shot down yet another Husker drive that stalled on the Buaffalo 13 yard line.

The Husker spirit never dwindled until the gun sounded, ending coach Bob Devaney's streak of 20 straight Memorial Stadium victories.

FIRED UP

"Everybody was fired up," said offensive guard Joe Armstrong. "They had capable players, but their spirit wasn't as good as ours."

"I still believed we could beat them up to that last pass (which was intercepted by safetyman Tom Kmetovic)," he added. "We had them whipped—you could tell it in the line."

"That was the best effort since I've been here," Gregory said. "It was even better than against Missouri (in 1966 when the Tigers fell 35-0)."

"It's funny, how we seniors aren't used to losing," he said, in noting that two straight losses were the most ever suffered by a Devaney led Nebraska squad.

"Everybody wanted to win, but it just didn't go that way," Gregory said.

STATISTICS

The Huskers pounded out their best offensive yardage totals of the year, rushing for 206 yards and passing for 224 yards, outgaining Colorado 402 to 182.

Nebraska out first-downed the Buffs 20-14 and ran 72 plays to 57 for CU. But Nebraska fumbles and enemy thefts thwarted Nebraska's bid to upset the nation's fourth ranked football squad.

"It was probably bad judgment of my part when I threw the ball," Patrick said of the tosses which were intercepted for the long touchdown gallops.

SPRINT OPTION

"I'm not taking anything away from them but we did give them everything they got," the big quarterback added.

Patrick, who hit on 14 of 27 tosses for 191 yards also picked up 26 yards rushing.

"I was running sprint option patterns," he explained. "I would drop back and then I just ducked up inside and took off."

Split end Dennis Richnafsky, in leading all receivers with five grabs for 85 yards, felt the Colorado defenders played a guessing game in covering him.

RETURNS HURT

"Nobody really gave me trouble," Nebraska's leading all-time pass receiver said. "They played more or less a guessing game. One time they would guess right and other times they would guess wrong."

On Raymond's theft, Richnafsky said that he went long and the ball broke short, enabling the Buffalo back to run practically un-molested into the North Stadium end zone.

"We beat them both inside and outside," Richnafsky said.

The Huskers held Colorado to 72 passing yards and 110 rushing yards, but 244 return yards spelled the difference between a presumable jump back into the top ten national rankings and a battle for the conference's runner up spot.

Coach Praises Husker Effort; 'We Threw The Book At Them'

"We threw the book at them," Bob Devaney said after the Buffaloes remained undefeated Saturday in a game the Huskers let slip through their hands in the form of fumbles and pass interceptions.

Despite the loss, which dropped Nebraska's record to three wins followed by two consecutive losses, Devaney had nothing but tribute to give to his young players.

"I think this team wanted to win as much as any of our teams have wanted to win," the Husker head coach added. "This team went out there with tremendous desire."

Devaney said he used two main weapons, gambles and passing. "In attempting to prevent his Huskers from dropping their second straight game."

"GAMBLER" "We felt we had to gamble to beat Colorado," he said. "We were not going to let them type us on what we might do next."

On a fourth down and one situation from the Nebraska 29 in the second quarter, the coach told quarterback Frank Patrick to plunge up in the middle in hopes of achieving four more tries for ten yards.

The big sophomore sneaked up the middle, but the officials ruled Patrick had fumbled the ball.

Whether Patrick did indeed fumble is questionable, but Colorado took the ball at the 29 and marched downfield, culminating their five play drive when Larry Plantz took a handoff from quarterback Bob Anderson and scooted six yards around left to score.

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knew we had to put the ball in the air."

Four of the aerial drives fell into enemy hands with two of them being returned for long touchdowns which iced the first Memorial Stadium defeat after 20 straight wins for the Huskers.

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Devaney also observed that breaks, such as the Huskers' four fumbles and four passes that were intercepted have a way of evening themselves out over a period of years.

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MONDAY

(All activities in Nebraska Union unless otherwise indicated.)

INTER-VARSITY—12 noon

PLACEMENT OFFICE LUNCHEON—12:30 p.m.

SOCIOLOGY 53—1:30 p.m.

VIETNAM WEEK — Sen. George S. McGovern — 2 p.m.

COURT SYSTEMS—3 p.m.

BUILDERS — Calendar & Directory—3:30 p.m.

PEOPLE TO PEOPLE — Publicity—3:30 p.m.

PANHELLENIC—3:30 p.m.

TASSELS—4:30 p.m.

UNION FILM COMMITTEE —4:30 p.m.

AUF PUBL'ICITY — 4:30 p.m.

DESSERT CLUB—5 p.m.

AUF CONVOCATION — 7 p.m.

UNICORNS — 7 p.m.

MATH COUNSELORS — 7:30 p.m.

SPANISH CLUB MEETING—Oct. 24, 7:30 p.m. at Wesley Foundation.

Rifle Club Defeats Colorado

Someone did beat Colorado. The University rifle club defeated Colorado Saturday 2,115 to 1,097.

Top Nebraska shooter was Alan Anderson with 554 of 600 possible points. Manfred Wunderlich hit 545, Greg Busacker scored 513 and Tim Stroh hit 503.

After winning the first match of the season, the team will travel to St. Louis, Mo., next weekend to compete in the Washington University Invitational Meet.

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Harriers Place Third In Tri-Meet

The University cross-country squad dropped a triangular meet Saturday to Colorado 20-37 and the Air Force Academy 20-39 in a three-mile Pioneers Park meet won by the Air Force.

Husker sophomore Bob Tupper ran fifth with a 14:42 clocking. Mel Campbell placed tenth with a 15:10 reading and Don Bischoff finished eleventh with a 15:13 timing.

Coach Frank Sevigne's squad, now 0-3 on the season, will face the Missouri Tigers at Columbia Saturday.

Crowd Record Smashed Again

Saturday's record crowd of 65,766 who watched the Colorado Buffaloes remain undefeated by edging Nebraska 21-16 at Memorial Stadium was the seventh consecutive home game that set an attendance peak.

How to interview 130 companies in half an hour.

Talk to the man from General Electric. He represents 130 separate GE "companies" that deal in everything from space research to electric toothbrushes. We call them product departments. Each one is autonomous with its own management and business objectives. That's why a job at General Electric offers the kind of immediate responsibility you might expect to find only in a small business. Right from the start you get a chance to demonstrate your initiative and individual capabilities. And the more you show us, the faster you will move ahead. As you do, you'll find that you

don't necessarily have to spend a lifetime working on the same job in the same place. We have operations all over the world. Chances are you'll get to try your hand at more than one of them. Our interviewer will be on campus soon. If you're wondering whether it's possible to find challenging work in big business, please arrange to see him. He speaks for 130 "companies."

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