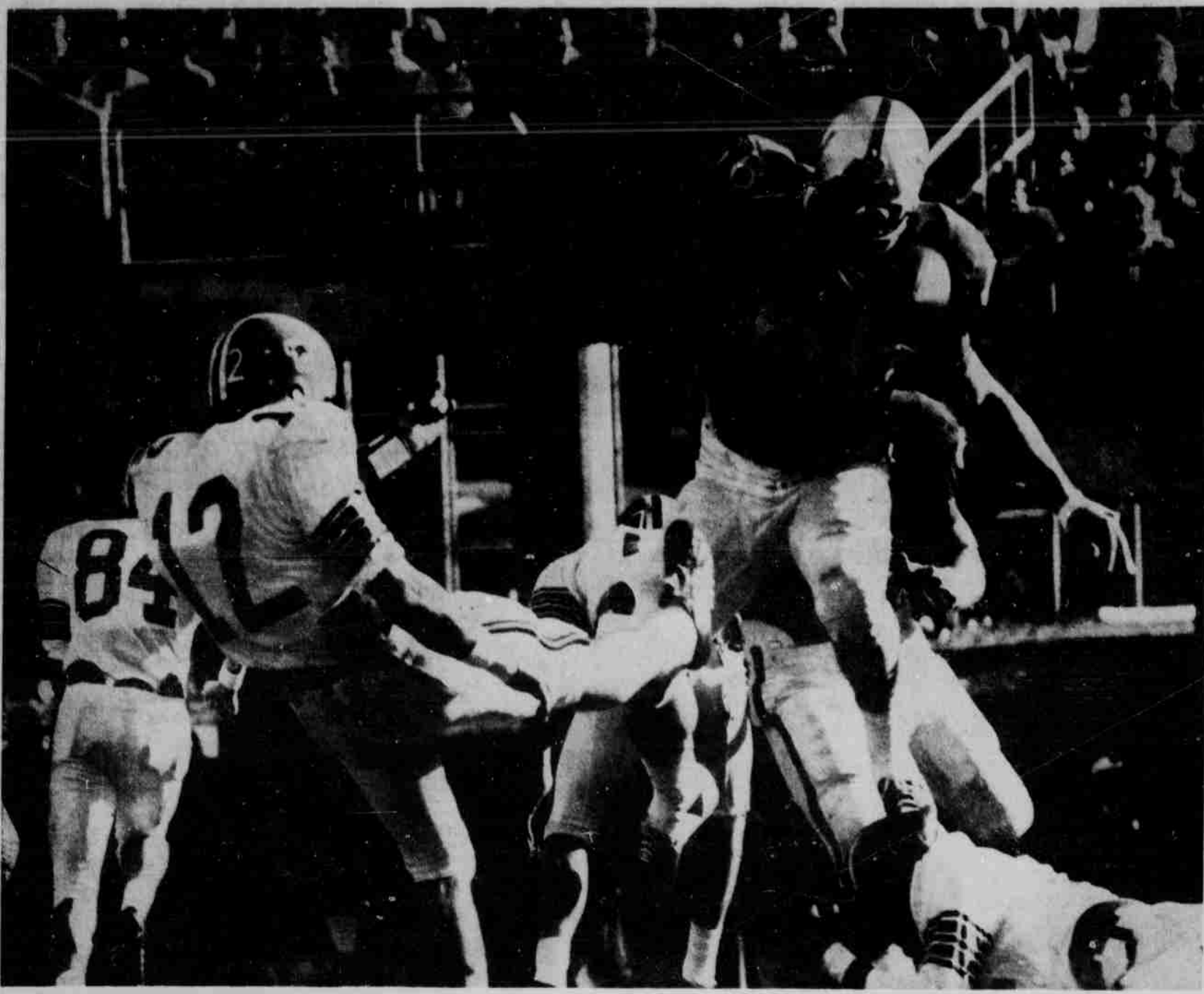


Black Shirts Blank Cowboys, 9-0

Huskers Run Shutout String To 3 Straight



WAYNE CHARGES THROUGH . . . Nebraska's Wayne Meylan (66) almost blocks a Ron Johnson (12) punt during Saturday's Nebraska win.

Nebraska followed to a letter the advice of a hand-scrawled sign taped to the Fieldhouse locker room Saturday which read—"Desire —75 per cent of the game, HIT—HIT. Go after your man."

The Huskers went after their men, the Oklahoma State Cowboys, in one of Memorial Stadium's toughest 1967 affairs and recorded their third straight shutout with a 9-0 Big Eight conference victory.

In blanking its fourth foe this season, Nebraska's defensive platoon allowed the Stillwater squad only 103 yards and lowered its national-leading total defensive mark to 139.1 yards per game.

TRIPLED

While the defenders were stopping the Cowboys, the offensive crew almost tripled the OSU total offensive showing with a 308 yard output.

Although he led scoreless, Husker halfback Ben Gregory ran like the number 22 of old in outgaining the entire OSU team with a 120 yard performance.

Nebraska began rolling in the second quarter with a 67 yard drive culminated on quarterback Frank Patrick's fifth 1967 scoring toss—a four-yard heave to end Dennis Richnasky.

BROKEN PATTERNS

"I've scored three touchdowns this year, all of them on broken patterns," said Nebraska's all-time leading receiver who needs one more reception in the next two games to shatter Freeman White's season reception mark.

"It was a pre-determined pattern where I go quickly to the sidelines," he said. "But I was covered so I

started to go outside and then stopped on more or less a hook pattern and caught it inside."

The four-yard scoring play with 2:21 remaining before the Veteran's Day intermission was the lone score until late in the fourth quarter when Nebraska's Bill Bomberger kicked a 29-yard field-goal with 4:37 remaining.

GREGORY SCAMPERS

The 10-play march was highlighted by Gregory's 29-yard scamper and Tom Penney's two pass receptions for 30 yards.

Although OSU teased Nebraska with a 51-yard field goal attempt, the Cowboys didn't seriously threaten to score until early in the second half.

The Cowboys used Ronnie Johnson's first two pass receptions of the afternoon to flankerback Terry Brown for 33 yards in marching to Nebraska's nine-yard line.

GAMBLE

The Cowboys gave the 65,461 homecoming spectators an example of daring football on a fourth-down gamble.

They lined up in field goal formation, faked the kick and then tried a pass which fell incomplete.

In losing the ball three times, Nebraska evenly distributed its handovers on a pass interception, a fumble in the later minutes of the game and a blocked punt which might have been disastrous.

Dana Stephenson's attempted punt was blocked by right end Doug Cathey, whose effort resulted in OSU banging at the scoring door at the Nebraska 26 yard line.

BLACK SHIRTS RECOVER

After the southerners proceeded to chalk up a quick 11 yards, the Black Shirts rose to the occasion when ends Frank Avolio and Mike Wynn teamed up to resoundingly halt OSU touchdown anticipations.

When violently shoved turf-bound by Avolio, Johnson fumbled at the Husker 23 yard line and Wynn clutched the ball for Nebraska's seventh fumble recovery.

"Mike was right behind the quarterback," Avolio explained. "It was a defensive end call where we both rushed."

While Wynn and Avolio combined forces for the game-saving play, both

Wayne Meylan, Nebraska's middle guard and Cowboy boy safety man Harry Cheatwood were consistently stopping ball carriers.

NINE UNASSISTED

Meylan had his second consecutive nine unassisted tackle performance and helped with four assisted stops.

Cheatwood, who collaborated in a glaring 19 tackles (eight unassisted), established an OSU season record with 92 total tackles.

After scoring their sixth series win over OSU, the Huskers praised the smaller Cowboys.

"They were hard to sustain a block on," said offensive tackle Bob Taucher. "You could get a good initial hit and then they started to slide off."

QUICK DEFENSE

"Our quick smashes and end sweeps were working well," he added.

"They had a real quick defense," offensive guard Mel Brichcramb said.

The scrambling techniques of signal caller Johnson, who tossed five completions in 15 attempts for 66 yards, caused Nebraska to make a defensive readjustment.

"We (Nebraska ends) were rushing more because we knew they had a rollout quarterback and our assignment was to get him," Wynn said.

GOOD SCRAMBLER

"Johnson was one of the better scramblers we've been up against," he added.

"It was one of the better games," defensive tackle Harry (Piggy) Meagher said. "Although we did let them out of containment a few times."

The win moved Nebraska's season record to 6-2 and 3-2 in Big Eight play good for a fourth place tie with next week's foe, the Missouri Tigers.

The defeat dropped OSU to 2-4 overall and to sixth place in the league with a 1-3 mark.

Undefeated Frosh Outscore McCook

By CHARLES DAVIES Assistant Sports Editor

The undefeated Nebraska freshmen football team ended the season by outscoring stubborn McCook Junior College 36-28 Saturday night at McCook.

The Cornhusker yearlings rolled up 362 total yards in posting their fourth straight victory.

"Bill Brown, Paul Rogers, Jim Smith, Dan Schneiss, and Ben Williams all did an exceptional job of running," Frosh Coach Cletus Fischer said.

GOOD-SIZED RUNS

"Each had one good-sized run during the game," he added.

"Brown ran a draw play for 40 or 50 yards and Williams took a couple of tacklers with him on a four-yard touchdown run," Fischer said.

Fischer said Nebraska's passing improved during the game. "Rick Wenner, Paul Rogers, and Dan Schneiss threw the ball well."

TOUCHDOWN STRIKES

Nebraska completed 14 of 24 passes for 195 yards.

Halfback Dan Schneiss tossed a 10-yard touchdown pass to Jim Smith while quarterback Rick Wenner hit split end Guy Ingles with a 17-yard touchdown strike.

Coach Fischer said McCook was the toughest of the four teams the freshmen had faced this season. "They did a lot of things we hadn't seen before," he

said.

TWO PLAYS HURT

Fischer said they threw more than anyone the freshmen had faced yet. "We didn't look for them to throw so much."

Fischer said Nebraska was particularly hurt by two plays.

"The first one was when we tried to intercept a pass and misjudged it." This resulted in a 70-yard touchdown pass from McCook quarterback Donn Kaup.

"The second bad play was on a letdown in the line," he said. McCook's Ken Johnson scored on a 76-yard run on that play.

POISE

Fischer said the team showed considerable poise and character in Saturday's battle.

"This game was their (McCook's) homecoming and final game which enabled them to be fired up," the freshman coach said.

"The team was proud to beat them and should be," he said. "They are one of the top junior college teams in the nation."

"The kids are real happy about going undefeated," he said.

Statistics table with columns for NU, Frosh, and McCook. Rows include First downs, Rushing yardage, Passing yardage, Passes, Return yardage, Punts, Fumbles lost, and Yards penalized.

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Gregory Returns To Form . . .

Pope Outgains OSU's Cowboys

Halfback Ben Gregory regained his old form Saturday in a 9-0 victory over the Oklahoma State Cowboys.

The 5'11", 219 pound senior penetrated the Cowboy line for 120 yards on

20 carries. Going into Saturday's clash the sputtering Gregory had mustered only 288 yards on 88 carries in seven games.

IN DOGHOUSE

Besides falling behind his

1966 rushing pace Gregory has had trouble holding on to the football.

"I've been in the doghouse after all those fumbles," Gregory said. "I was determined to play better."

The Uniontown, Pa., native said he blocked and ran better Saturday.

The hard-driving halfback accounted for almost half Nebraska's 250 yards on the ground, and outgained the entire OSU team which accumulated 103 total yards.

RIGHT SIDE

Gregory said his most effective play was the sweep on the right side.

"I feel a lot better after this game," he said. "My performance has given me some future confidence."

Co-captain Marv Mueller felt Gregory had his best game of the season.

BETTER THREAT

"He gave us a better threat offensively which is always encouraging to the defense," the senior safetyman said.

Huskers: Cellar Finish In Big-8 Cross-Country

Nebraska finished its winless cross-country campaign with its second consecutive last place finish at the Big Eight cross-country meet Saturday morning at Boulder's Lake Valley Country Club.

The Huskers, who dropped five regular-season meets, finished well out of the running in the 35th conference championship won by the Missouri Tigers.

Sophomore Mel Campbell was coach Frank Sevigne's top runner capturing a 26th place berth.

"We didn't do too well, to say the least," Sevigne said.

"Our top man, Bob Tupper, didn't have a very good day."

Tupper, an improving sophomore, had consistently placed among the top four

finishers during the regular season campaign.

Although he called the past season rather disappointing since the Huskers finished as poorly as possible, Sevigne said with a potentially fine freshman squad and the return of the entire present squad, the 1968 team would be improved.

Colorado's Craig Runyan won the three-mile race with a 15:57.5 timing outdueling Missouri's Glen Oden who ran a 16:03 clocking.

FINAL STANDINGS

Final standings table listing Missouri 32, Colorado 59, Kansas 83, Oklahoma 111, Iowa State 115, Kansas State 122, Oklahoma St. 150, Nebraska 187.

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