

Missouri Shatters NU Title Hopes, 10-7

By DICK TEGTMEIER

Missouri knocked Nebraska out of the Big Eight title picture 10-7 Saturday with a substitute quarterback's last quarter touchdown pass combined with tremendous defensive play. The winning tally came with 14:01 left in the fourth quarter as reserve quarterback Garnet Phelps hit sophomore halfback Jon Stagers on a 38-yard pass play.

Trailing 7-3 Missouri got its big chance when Jay Wallace partially blocked a Dana Stephenson punt giving the Tigers the ball at the Nebraska 37. Three plays and one-yard loss later, Phelps and Stagers teamed up to give Missouri its first lead of the game, 10-7. It was the first time this year a team has scored on a pass against Nebraska.

The Huskers were as stimulating as the sunny, 50-degree Mizzou weather early in the game, as they put on one of their finest offensive showings of the year in the first quarter. For a while it looked as if Nebraska would tame the Tigers.

With the ball on the NU 16 after Steve Kenemore boomed his first punt of the game 57 yards, Denny Richnafsky beat his man and Patrick hit him for a 30-yard gain. Gregory tried right tackle for a one yard loss, then picked up two on a short pass from Patrick.

With third down and nine at the Husker 47, the tall Husker quarterback hit Paul Topliff for the Huskers first big play of the game and a first down at the Tiger 37. Two plays later it was third and seven at Missouri's 34. As Patrick threw, Ordu-

na and Topliff battled Missouri's Butch Davis and John Meyer in the end zone. All four went up for the ball.

But Orduña came down with it for the touchdown. Nebraska had driven 84 yards on seven plays to give the Huskers a 7-0 lead with only 7:30 gone in the first quarter.

In the second quarter after a Stephenson punt hit Joe Orduña on the helmet at the 22 of Missouri the fired-up Tigers drove 51 yards through Nebraska's defense.

But at Nebraska's 27 the Black Shirts stiffened. McCord stopped Stagers for no gain. Adrian Fialia broke up a Kombrink pass. Pass-

ing off a reverse, Stagers failed to find his receiver. Then defensive tackle Jim Wallace came in to kick a 45-yard field goal, the longest of his career, with 4:48 remaining in the half.

At halftime, Nebraska had rolled up 106 yards passing and 23 rushing compared to Missouri's 32

yards passing and 84 on the ground.

After the halftime break, on the first play from scrimmage, Barry Alvarez, who had his greatest day as a Husker including 20 tackles, recovered a Stagers fumble on the Missouri 25.

But the Huskers could grind out only seven yards in three plays, putting the ball on the 18 with a fourth and three situation.

Disregarding a field goal attempt, Nebraska sent Joe Orduña into the left side, stopped him one yard short of the first down.

Missouri got their big break on the second play on the fourth quarter when Stephenson's punt was deflected by Wallace and carried only 17 yards to the Nebraska 37. Phelps then hit Stagers in the end zone for his lone completion of the day.

Meyhem reigned during the fourth quarter as Nebraska and Missouri played seasaw on the gridiron.

Nebraska took over on their own 22 with 14 minutes left in the game. On second down, Patrick faded back to pass and was hit hard by defensive left end Elmer Benhardt, who made a point of being in the Husker backfield all afternoon.

Patrick was stunned and took a short rest on the bench while Ernie Sigler took over.

Less than a minute later Alvarez forced a fumble by Ron McBride. Marv Mueller recovered.

Davis and Orduña combined for a first down at the Missouri 47, before a Sigler pass intended for Orduña was deflected and picked off by Missouri's Wehrli on the Tigers 26 and returned to the 39.

Again the Black Shirts came through, forcing the Tigers to punt from their own 32 after officials stepped off a fifteen-yard penalty and kicked Missouri's giant 275-pound tackle out of the game for

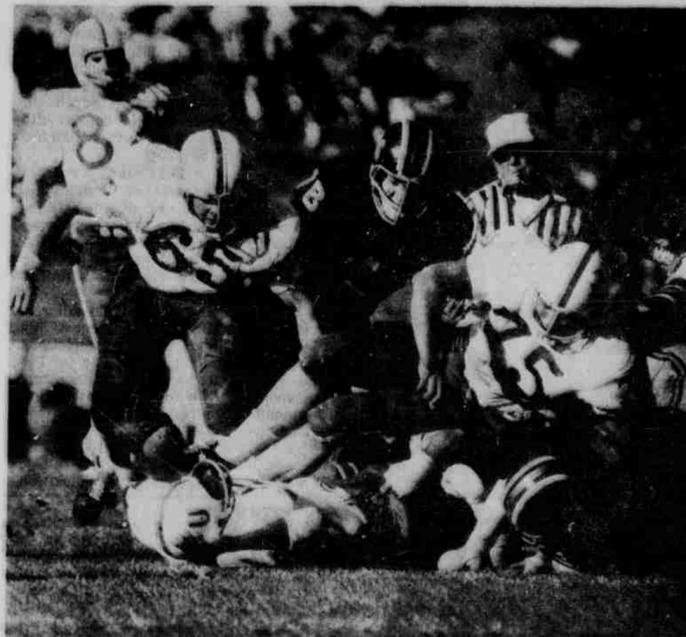
threatening to take a poke Jerry Patton.

With 6:40 left, Stephenson recovered a Stagers fumble on the Nebraska 22, and the Huskers for a while looked like the comeback team of last year.

Patrick hit Orduña for nine and Gregory for eight, before finding Davis alone with running room on the sideline.

He was stopped after a gain of 26 on the Missouri 38, but the hard-nosed Tiger defense led by Benhardt, dug in to stop the Husker rally.

Two exchanges later the south goal posts came down and Missouri ran out the clock, ending Husker hopes of sharing the Big Eight title they had held for the last four years and also ending hopes with scouts from the Gator, Blue Bonnet and Liberty Bowls watching the action.



DICK DAVIS . . . is downed by the rugged Missouri Tigers who held Nebraska's rushing attack (which had been averaging 186 yards) to only 11 net yards.

Alvarez: Mizzou Toughest Team We've Faced

"Missouri was the strongest and toughest team we've faced," senior linebacker Barry Alvarez said after Nebraska's 10-7 loss to the Missouri Tigers at Columbia Saturday.

Alvarez, a 6' 235-pounder from Burgettstown, Pa., accounted for 20 total tackles, his season's high, in Saturday's clash.

Alvarez increased his tackle total to 98 this year including 69 assisted stops which is an all-time high Cornhusker record, coach said it was their best prepared game." Alvarez said.

"They came right at us," he said. "Missouri just plain beat us."

"There defense was real strong too," the senior linebacker said. Alvarez said halfback Jon

Stagers and fullback Barry Lischner were good runners for the Tigers.

"They gave Missouri threats of breakaway speed (Stagers) and power up the middle (Lischner).

He said Missouri's winning touchdown pass was a broken play.

"Meylan (Nebraska's All-American middle guard) had the quarterback (Garnett Phelps) for a second and three guys were ready to drop him," Alvarez said.

"They didn't do anything unexpected," he said. "We just got beat."

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ReMarks . . .

By MARK GORDON Sports Editor

Thursday's Thanksgiving Day encounter in Lincoln's Memorial Stadium is identical to 1966's Oklahoma-Nebraska tussle except the roles have been reversed.

A year ago, Nebraska was undefeated in league play, had a loop crown clinched and had a Sugar Bowl match awaiting them when they invaded Norman to play the 3-3 Sooners.

Thursday, the Sooners are the undefeated visiting team which has a title tie clinched and bowl bids awaiting when they meet the 3-3 Huskers in Lincoln.

Since the Sooners won on their home field 10-9, does this foreshadow a Nebraska win on its home field over an undefeated Oklahoma squad?

NO WEAKNESS?
The Sooners have no apparent weakness in rating highly in all league statistics with the possible exception of passing defense where they are placed in the loop's fourth spot.

Defensively, they have allowed fewer points than any conference team with a meager 40 points permitted in eight games for a sparkling 5.0 average allowance.

Offensively, Oklahoma tops the league in rushing offense, total offense and scoring offense with a 25.6 average output.

The Huskers are respectable in all categories defensively but offensively they can't match up those impressive figures Oklahoma has racked up in winning five conference games.

ONE-TWO PUNCH
With the Big Eight's leading scorer and rushed Steve Owens, a sophomore sensation and his alternating tailback Ron Shotts, who is currently third in league rushing, the Sooners can throw a one-two punch that the Huskers haven't seen this year.

Adding quarterback Bob Warmack, a capable field general who has thrown five touchdown passes this season in directing Oklahoma to 205 points, and end Eddie Hinton, who has caught 17 passes for 268 yards, the Sooner offense will be tough to stop.

Oklahoma can also employ a defensive middle guard who has the credentials that may even overshadow Nebraska's 1966 All-American Wayne Meylan.

Granville Liggins, one of the league's and possibly the nation's quickest defensive players, was also a 1966 All-American, who has been the mainstay of the tough Sooner line.

FOUR SHUTOUTS
Oklahoma has blanked four opponents and has held two other teams to a single touchdown, while the Huskers have also shutout four foes.

Until Saturday's game, Nebraska had the nation's leading total defensive crew, while the Sooners boasted the country's leading defensive scoring average of only 5 points a game.

Nebraska will meet a team with an equal defense and an offense that has shown more potency this season.

Keeping those items in mind, we feel Oklahoma will hand Nebraska its fourth 1967 loss in clinching its first league crown since 1962.

After hitting on three of four games last week to level our percentage at an even 80 per cent, will try Saturday's games.

Oklahoma State over Kansas State: Oklahoma State will warm up for its Oklahoma Sooner game by dumping a winless Wildcat crew in Stillwater. Jack Reynolds and company will pick up where they left off after pounding Iowa State 28-14 last Saturday.

Colorado over the Air Force: Colorado wants to look as impressive as possible to Bowl bidders and they will down Air Force Saturday in an intra-state battle. The Buffaloes have regained their early-season form in downing Kansas and Kansas State the last two weekends and will end their season successfully with an 8-2 mark.

Missouri over Kansas: The Tigers will end their season with an 8-2 record by handing the Kansas Jayhawks their third straight defeat. The Tigers ferocious defense held Nebraska's powerful running game to only 11 yards and while they may not limit the Jayhawks to those totals, they will stop the Kansans and tie Colorado for second place.

Omaha Kickers Defeat NU; Lead Midwest Soccer League

The Midwest Soccer League-leading Omaha Kickers stretched their season's record to 8-1 in beating the University Soccer Club 8-2 Sunday in a Lincoln rematch.

The Kickers, now 6-3-1, had dropped an earlier 9-1 debacle to the Omahans in Omaha.

The Kickers built up a 6-0 halftime bulge before Steve Mwamba, the local's leading scorer, booted home two goals, but by then the outcome was never really in doubt.

"They played with the wind the first half when they scored the six goals," said Tim Rickard, club president.

"They were quick enough and strong enough to break down our teamwork," he said in explaining that the game wasn't quite as one-sided as the 8-2 indicates.

"We improved from the last time we played them, but we made a couple of said.

The local club warmed up for the Kicker match by taking 5-1 decision Saturday in Lincoln from Pershing College soccer club.

Rickard booted two goals, while Sumai Hasimoglu, a scored a three-goal hat trick.

"They were a tough team that was fit and strong, but they played soccer like footballers," he said in explaining the local club suffered numerous bruises from the hard-hitting collegiates.

Rickard said the Beatrice natives were a tougher team than had earlier been anticipated, although the Pershing team had defeated John F. Kennedy College and Creighton University.

Intramural Standings

FINAL FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS	
FRATERNITY 1-A	HARPER 10-A
50 Phi Delta Theta	41 Harper II
41 Beta Theta Pi	32 Harper III
32 Delta Upsilon	32 Harper VII
23 Phi Kappa Phi	23 Harper IV
14 Sigma Phi Epsilon	23 Harper V
14 Kappa Sigma	03 Harper VI
FRATERNITY 2-A	HARPER-SCHRAMM 21-A
41 Phi Gamma Delta	41 Schramm VIII
32 Delta Sigma Chi	41 Harper X
32 Phi Kappa Phi	41 Schramm IV
23 Delta Tau Delta	23 Schramm II
14 Theta Xi	14 Schramm IX
14 Sigma Alpha Epsilon	03 Harper IX
FRATERNITY 3-A	SELLECK 12-A
50 Alpha Tau Omega	60 Gus II
41 Triangle	51 Fairfield
32 Alpha Gamma Rho	42 Gus I
14 Sigma Nu	24 Avery
14 Beta Sigma Psi	24 Gus III
14 Ac Men	12 Selbeck
FRATERNITY 4-A	BURR-INDEPENDENT 13-A
50 Cornhusker	50 Godding
32 Delta Sigma Phi	41 Kieselbach
32 Chi Phi	22 Umicore
14 Delta Sigma Phi	23 A.J.A.
04 Alpha Gamma Sigma	14 Delta Theta Phi
FRATERNITY 5-A	INDEPENDENT 14-A
60 Sigma Alpha Mu	61 Phi Epsilon Kappa
51 Phi Kappa Phi	41 Civil Engineers
32 Tau Kappa Epsilon	41 Phi Delta Phi
24 Zeta Beta Tau	21 Pharmacy
13 Aearsa	14 Delta
13 Brown Palace	03 Argies
ABEL 4-A	INDEPENDENT 15-A
41 Abel II	21 Palsons
41 Abel VI	31 Brouers
32 Abel VII	22 Dirty Old Men
32 Abel IV	22 Mousers
14 Abel III	04 Mavericks
04 Abel V	FRATERNITY 16-B
ABEL 7-A	40 Phi Kappa Psi-B
31 Abel IX	32 Sigma Phi Ep-B
31 Abel XI	22 Phi Delta Theta-B
31 Abel XIII	12 Beta Theta Pi-B
12 Abel X	12 Delta Upsilon-B
10 Abel VIII	FRATERNITY 17-B
CATHER 8-A	40 Sigma Alpha Epsilon-B
30 Glenn	31 Pi Gamma Phi-B
41 Frost	22 Kappa Sigma-B
32 Carson	13 Sigma Chi-B
33 Thoreau	04 Phi Gamma Delta-B
14 Penn	FRATERNITY 18-A
04 Rogers	40 Beta Sigma Psi-B
CATHER 9-A	31 Triangle-B
40 Piko	22 Theta Xi-B
31 Kennedy	13 Delta Tau Delta-B
22 Governors	04 Sigma Nu-B
30 Custer	
04 Patton	

Winners Named in Table Tennis

Herb Schrader independent, won the All-University single table tennis title. Unicorns Roy Blazek and Ronald Becker won the doubles crown and Beta Theta Pi captured the team title in the recently completed intramural table tennis tournament.

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