



Nebraska's defensive ends Dennis Gutzman (89) and Frank Avolio (40) converge on Utah Redskin quarterback Ray Groth during last Saturday's 31-0 victory over Utah. Nebraska ends will be attempting the same trick Saturday at Minneapolis against the Minnesota Gophers.

Gophers face Nebraska with revenge motives

by Randy York
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If there is such a thing as teams being optimistic after a loss, the University of Minnesota is one of those teams.

The Golden Gophers dropped their seasonal opener last Saturday. But it was certainly nothing to brood over since it came at the hands of O. J. Simpson and Company (Sometimes referred to as the University of Southern California or just plain ol' Southern Cal).

AND THE contest was a real tussle before Simpson's heroics produced a 29-20 Trojan triumph. So, the Gophers will be on the rebound when Nebraska invades Minneapolis. They will be on the rebound, not because of the USC setback but, because of the horsecollaring Nebraska administered last year.

The Huskers inflicted one of only two losses absorbed by Coach Murray Warmath's outfit. NU registered a 7-0 win in Lincoln in 1967's second game for both teams.

But the setting is different this year. Warmath gets a chance to tackle Nebraska coach Bob Devaney on his Minnesota field where no one beat him a year ago. Then Southern Cal came. And conquered. Twice in a row before the home folks would be hard to swallow.

Seeking to repel the Nebraska invasion are 16 starters returning from last year's productive unit. Two of those 16 are prime candidates for All-American honors. Ezell (Easy) Jones is a typical Minnesota tackle 6-4, 245 pounds). He is the man to watch in the Gopher's offensive front wall.

Jones can create a big hole. Fullback Jim Carter usually runs through a hole and runs through it well. He was the Gophers' leading ground gainer in '67, rushing for a net of 519 yards and scoring three touchdowns. He is labeled a 'punishing power runner with exceptional will to win.'

When it comes to punishing and a will to win, Nole Jenke is another. This year's Gopher

captain is rated one of the best linebackers in the Big Ten. A word of warning for NU: don't make Mr. Jenke mad. Wisconsin found that out last fall. Jenke intercepted three Badger passes in a narrow 21-14 Minnesota victory.

JONES, CARTER and Jenke own impressive credentials, but the real problem for Nebraska will probably come from Bob Stein, senior defensive end. The 6-3, 218-pound Minneapolis suburbanite earned All-Big Ten and All-American acclaim last fall as a junior.

Stein's ability may be illustrated by his sophomore statistics. He was no All-American that year. In fact, he played in only two games because of illness and injury. Yet he still tied for third in the Big Ten in number of tackles for losses with eight.

Biggest gap that Warmath has to fill is the quarterback spot where Curt Wilson, 1967's starting signal-caller, has graduated. Ray Stephens, who logged 45 minutes at the Minnesota controls in '67 is back but does not start. Stephens was in charge of Minnesota for most of the Nebraska game last year.

Phil Hagen, a seasoned quarterback veteran, steers the Gopher offensive attack. The 6-2, 176-pound junior started one game last year. As a soph, he passed for the winning touchdown late in the game to sink Utah, 13-12. His

soph statistics yield impressive indication: 27 of 56 passes for 337 yards and two touchdowns.

John Wintermute at left halfback and Mike Curtis at flanker, both starters a year ago, join Hagen and Carter in the backfield cast. Curtis alternated last year, snagging eight passes for 155 yards and one touchdown.

Wintermute moved into the starting halfback role midway through his soph season and sparked Gopher victories over Ohio State and Northwestern. The two-year letterman, who also toils at flanker, gained 135 yards in the 33-7 win over Indiana, this year's Rose Bowl representative for the Big Ten.

Warmath's charges opened the season against the defending national champs. They still must meet Purdue, No. 1 choice in one of this week's national wire service polls. Meanwhile Nebraska challenges. Minnesota should have its hands full.

Litten to speak at club dinner

Block and Bridle Club will be addressed Thursday evening during a steak supper by Jerry Litten, called by many as one of the most promising young men in America.

Litten, elected to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, has recently served on national committees appointed by Presidents Kennedy and Johnson.

The steak supper will be held west of the Biochemistry and Nutrition building on East Campus at 6:00 P.M. The supper is free of charge to students interested in Animal Science and Block and Bridle Club.

Big Eight Statistics

Nebraska fails to lead the Big Eight teams in any team category, but the Cornhuskers are holding second position in four football team spots.

The only league squad to hold two victories, Nebraska also is ranked third in three team categories and fourth in another.

Big Eight team Statistics:

Team	W	L	T	Pts.
Nebraska	2	7	1	27
Kansas	2	7	1	27
Colorado	2	7	1	27
Missouri	2	7	1	27
Iowa	2	7	1	27
Kansas St.	2	7	1	27
Oklahoma	2	7	1	27
Labama	2	7	1	27

Team	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	Avg.
Nebraska	16	49	2	32.7	328	20.5
Kansas	11	26	2	42.3	312	31.2
Colorado	9	21	1	42.9	281	27.0
Missouri	16	31	1	51.6	357	35.7
Iowa	18	34	3	52.9	376	37.6
Kansas St.	22	51	2	43.1	408	39.8
Oklahoma	19	28	2	67.9	214	21.4

Team	G	Att.	Yds.	Avg.
Nebraska	1	75	182	24.3
Kansas	1	101	191	19.0
Colorado	1	126	296	23.5
Missouri	1	70	254	36.3
Iowa	1	82	359	43.8
Kansas St.	1	107	390	36.5
Oklahoma	1	97	371	38.2

Team	G	Pts.	Avg.
Nebraska	1	10	10.0
Kansas	1	7	7.0
Colorado	1	7	7.0
Missouri	1	12	12.0
Iowa	1	31	31.0
Kansas St.	1	22	22.0
Oklahoma	1	45	45.0

Can Olympic games recover after tumultuous difficulties?

by George Kaufman
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It looks as if the 1968 Olympics will, like almost everything else in this tumultuous year, be held in a besieged city under the protection of armed troops and under threat from a diversity of dissident elements.

There are those, such as Harry Edwards, who see this as a healthy thing, that society is waking up and protesting the crass hypocrisy around it. And, there are others, such as Avery Brundage — an international institution in himself — who see it as a return to mob rule and intolerant reaction.

NEITHER is wrong in a general sense. The German people were indicted after World War II for not following their consciences instead of their political system, yet Americans are jailed for conscientious objection today.

But these are general philosophical considerations, and the disruption of the Olympics — from within or without — is a particular case and must be viewed as such.

First of all, boycotts and demonstrations are valuable weapons of any "anti" group, but only as long as they are used sparingly and are well-timed.

Thus, the impact of any such weapon at the Olympics has already been destroyed. It started out as a fairly good idea, when the Negroes on the U.S. squad declared they were going to boycott the

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Games in order to show they were being used by what they called the White Establishment.

The threat worked and scared-most Americans for a while until the movement split from within. Lost momentum and seems to have disintegrated. That, however, remains to be seen.

But then the whole idea was ruined when upwards of 50 nations gave notice they would boycott the Games if South Africa were allowed to participate, even with a "mixed" team.

This had Brundage jettisoned around the world trying to put the pieces back together and only a little backstepping by the Olympic Committee saved the Games from that particular crisis.

THEN ALONG came the Czechoslovakian Crisis, and the cry began to go out that many countries would boycott the Games if the Soviet Union was allowed to compete. This still has not been resolved, but it is generally assumed now that most countries will not go through with this.

Now the Games are threatened by student disorders in Mexico City. No one is quite sure what the students are protesting, and the killing and serious gun-fighting between dissidents and police has swept the confrontation beyond the scope of a mere disruption, student or otherwise.

At any rate, the public is now fed up with talk of a "boycott" and the law of diminishing returns has rendered any show by American Negroes or anyone else important as far as affecting public opinion on any issue the group would feel transcends the importance of the Games themselves.

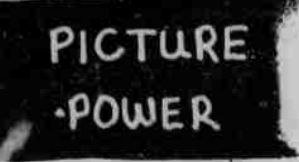
The fact is that the Olympic Games have served as an apolitical institution for many years — even during times of great crisis — and deserve

to remain so. God knows the world has few enough of them left.

But even if you don't agree about the nature of the Olympics — that nothing is above the cause of justice as you see it — the very number of various groups trying to play on the Games has nullified any hope of returns.

Any move to disrupt the Olympics now would be a purely anarchistic in nature — simply for the purpose of destroying the Olympics.

The Olympics does not deserve to die such a pathetic death after all these years. It is perhaps the only place in the world where athletes can meet the best from everywhere else to test against the ultimate standard. It should be allowed to live and flourish.



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