

Jayhawks...shades of mediocrity Predictions

By Randy York Sports Editor
 Kansas will try to shake mediocrity and win a football game. Nebraska will try to shake Pepper Rodgers and get into the Big 8 Conference football race.

KU, unimpressive in its three non-league games, seemingly revitalized itself last Saturday, scoring powerful Kansas State before dropping its third decision in four games, 26-22.

Nebraska, impressive in each of its four games, nevertheless sustained a 17-7 loss against 6th-ranked Missouri in the conference opener last week for both teams.

Jayhawk coach Rodgers, however, will try to extend a personal string against the Huskers' Bob Devaney, who

has been unsuccessful in two confrontations with Pepper. Rodgers started his club to a 5-2 league record two years ago at Lawrence, shocking the then unbeaten Huskers, 10-0 to mark the first time at Nebraska Devaney had been shut out.

Rodgers outdueled Devaney again last season in Lincoln, taking a 26-12 verdict after trailing with 5 1/2 minutes remaining in the game.

KU's rebound last week against the Wildcats was not strictly a change in attitude. Rodgers made a successful personnel switch involving defender-receiver George McGowan.

McGowan, the leading receiver on the 1968 Jayhawk outfit, set the Kansas pass reception yardage record

(592) last season with 32 catches, including four touchdown grabs.

But the usually offensively-minded Rodgers last spring shifted McGowan to defensive halfback. Rodgers thought the '69 offense would be sound and the defense somewhat shaky.

He was wrong. Both had propensities of inefficiency, but the offense was more efficient. McGowan thus moved back to his offensive end role last week.

The Glendale, Calif., senior

led Jayhawk receivers in t K-State encounter with four snags and 66 yards.

KU's shaky start is somewhat puzzling. Such standouts as Emery Hicks, John Mosier and John Riggins are still doing the same things they did last year when the Jayhawks earned an Orange Bowl ticket on the strength of a 9-1 regular season record.

Riggins, the blockbusting junior fullback, is responsible for the bulk of KU's ground yards. He has more than

adequate backup support, however, in tailback Ron Jessie and wingback Willie Amison.

Riggins, tight end Mosier (who accounted for 70 aerial yards last week), and linebacker Hicks, the club's second leading tackler, all earned all-Big 8 acclaim last season.

Jessie paced the Jayhawks

in rushing last week and scored two touchdowns. Mommouth tackle Karl Salb paces the defensive unit.

The biggest 1969 KU void, quarterback Bobby Douglass' vacancy, has been filled by senior Jim Ettinger, who understudied Douglass for two seasons.

Ettinger broke a personal slump last week. He passed for 190 yards.

Nebraska Sports Writer by Randy York
 Missouri's freshmen football coach is somewhat of a crybaby, or else the Kansas City Star made him seem that way.

The newspaper's account of Nebraska's 42-19 blitz past Missouri's yearlings last Saturday was one-sided — the wrong side — the excuse-type account.

The story told of how Missouri led the game's statistical categories, but lost the scoring decision. No argument there.

But the Tiger coach offered, "We had only 3 1/2 weeks to practice. They had five. That's a big difference in freshmen football."

This may be true, but the acknowledgement hardly warrants consideration in a game story before any mention is made of the winning Huskers' effort.

Somehow, I get the impression that the Missouri coach was overemphasized. I mean, he did add that he was using "no alibis," a statement which shows the whole thing gained weight in the transfusion from phone to newsroom.

Nevertheless, the quote received some ink.

I, too, have no alibis after missing one of four Big Eight conference picks last weekend. My potential Oklahoma upset of second-ranked Texas failed to materialize.

The Sooners had owned a 14-0 lead at one point in the game. But one of the most decisive plays came near the end when an Oklahoma player misjudged a Texas

punt.

The bobble came in a stiff wind. And if Texas hadn't received such a gift, it wouldn't have... and if...

This week:
Nebraska 24, Kansas 7 — Jerry Tagge is up against the Big 8's pass defense leading Jayhawks, but they gained the lead against poor competition. The Huskers played much more solid teams (Southern Cal and Missouri) are about 150 points better than New Mexico and Texas Tech). Tagge hits the league's top three receivers consistently to give Bob Devaney his first win over Pepper Rodgers in three tries.

Oklahoma 28, Colorado 27 — The underdog Buffs are twice as good as anyone thinks they are, including Oklahoma. The Sooners have stumbled to CU's Bobby Anderson two straight years. Anderson may dump 'em again.

Missouri 35, Oklahoma State 0 — Who's talking about nonsensical upsets? The Cowboys would be better off watching the game on the top of Columbia's bush-league hill. Joe Moore could gain 100 yards with his shoes off.

Kansas State 21, Iowa State 14 — The two clubs are comparable talentwise, but the Wildcats have Lynn Dickey. He gets the edge in any close game. Just ask Kansas.

This corner's seasonal batting average dipped to .778 this week. It's been on target 21 times in 27 conference games.

Tagge ranks second in passing yardage

Nebraska's football team gains most of its recognition among Big 8 Conference rivals in passing and receiving, according to this week's league statistical charts.

The Huskers' Jerry Tagge ranks second to Kansas State's Lynn Dickey for the loop's passing lead, but is the league leader in total offense.

Tagge's 97 rushing yards and 616 passing yards give him a 713-yard total offensive output, an average of 178.3 yards per game. He has connected on 48 of 90 passes.

The percentage passing lead belongs to NU's sophomore quarterback, Van Brownson, who has hit on 21 of 33 attempts for a .636

mark.

Nebraska also claims the Big 8's top three receivers. Jim McFarland's 17 catches have accounted for 222 yards, while teammate Jeff Kinney's 17 snags have accounted for 266 yards and a touchdown.

Larry Frost ranks third with 13 grabs for 200 yards and two touchdowns.

Kinney is the conference's fifth leading scorer with five touchdowns, or 30 points, in four games.

The Huskers lead the team passing offense category with 848 aerial yards, a 212.0-yard per game average.

Overall, Nebraska ranks third in total offense, fifth in total defense and fourth in scoring offense.



John Riggins

Cross country team faces altitude, snow

High altitude, snow, and the defending NCAA individual cross country champion are the major obstacles to victory as Nebraska tangles with the Air Force Academy in a dual meet at Colorado Springs Saturday.

The Huskers will run against a talented Air Force team, according to NU Coach Frank Sevine. He said that the Falcons have already beaten Tennessee, a consistent cross country and track power.

The Falcons' top runner is Mike Ryan, the 1968 NCAA champ.

Nebraska is attempting to bounce back from last week's 224-31 loss to Missouri. Greg Carlberg, who placed second last week, and Jim Lang, who finished third, have been the top Husker runners.

The usual problems of high altitude running may be compounded this week because reports indicate there is still snow on the ground from last week's Colorado storms.

Sevine noted that the Huskers didn't have any problems running in the high altitude at Colorado last year. In accordance with new NCAA standards, the course is a mile longer this year.

Cultural events

- Oct. 21-26**
Graphic Art By Rudy Pozzatti; Paintings by Philomene Bennette; Electronic Abstractions by Ben Laposky; and Glass by Louis C. Tiffany, Sheldon Art Gallery.
- Oct. 21**
Faculty Recital-Fritz, Kimball Recital Hall, University of Nebraska, School of Music, 8 p.m.
- Oct. 22**
"Man of La Mancha," presented by Broadway Theatre League, Stuart Theatre, 8:15 p.m.
- Oct. 22-25**
"A Flea In Her Ear," a play by Georges Feydeau, University of Nebraska, Howell Theatre, 8 p.m.
- Oct. 23**
Faculty Recital-Grace and Schatz, Kimball Recital Hall, University of Nebraska, School of Music, 8 p.m.
- Oct. 24-26**
"Gypsy," Lincoln Community Playhouse, 8:30 p.m. except Sun., 7:30 p.m.

Construction clause unsettled in budget

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 NU at Lincoln and out-state activities received \$36,704,885, an increase of \$3,656,642 compared to the 1968-69 operating budget.

The long-awaited salary raises will average about five per cent. Adjustments will be made on an individual basis, rather than across the board.

With the major inconveniences cleared up, the budget situation is mostly resolved. But there still is LB1425. Its fate remains unknown.

Problems set in August 29 when the capital construction bill was approved 28-16. Tiemann promptly vetoed four projects in the bill.

Scratched were \$1 million for land acquisition at the NU Medical Center, \$1.35 million for UNO land acquisition and planning, \$1.5 million for a Kearney State College project and \$1.225 million appropriation for a home economics structure on East Campus.

Three of those items had received 33 votes when accepted as amendments on the legislative floor.

Marvel said that he had been led to believe that any item receiving 33 votes could not be vetoed by the governor. He huddled with

other senators and state officials and talked about going to court.

The Unicameral then adjourned, and when they returned on September 16, they voted 37-0 to ignore Tiemann's veto, even though the governor returned the entire bill to the legislature without his signature.

Although it is business as usual now with the 1969 budget, no one really knows and few care to predict when the capital construction bill will be straightened out.

Preliminary legal work has a yet to be completed, Soshnik said. Technically the bill isn't even before the Nebraska Supreme Court. Much work remains to be done, he commented.

It would be ironic if formal planning for the 1971-73 budget were underway before the capital construction question, which completes the 1969-71 University budget, is answered.

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