

# Tagge, Orduna return to Golden land

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Nebraska's first three opponents this year won't forget quarterback Jerry Tagge or I-back Joe Orduna. And the fourth foe, the Minnesota Gophers, may still have nightmares about this pair from previous years.

It was in 1967 that a sophomore halfback named Joe Orduna pranced 25 yards in the third quarter to give the Cornhuskers a 7-0 win over the Golden Gophers.

And then in 1969, with Orduna sidelined due to a bad knee, sophomore Jerry Tagge set a total offense record as the

Huskers routed the Gophers 42-14.

Orduna and Tagge, who are among the leaders in the Big Eight individual statistics, recalled those previous games with Minnesota.

"That touchdown run was on the left side," said Orduna. "I was hit quick and had to spin to make it."

Tagge, who hit 15 of 23 passes in the '69 game for 219 yards, explained his record-breaking success. "Last year we ran several different offensive formations against Minnesota, but they just stayed in the same defense," said the Husker quarterback.

But Tagge is expecting an

improved Minnesota secondary in Saturday's game. "After viewing Minnesota films from the Missouri and Ohio games, I've noticed that they come out in different defenses," said Tagge, "and they play them all well."

The Gophers will have to play well in their secondary if they are to stop the Huskers' passing game. Tagge, who set a Nebraska single season passing accuracy record last year, is aiming for the conference mark this season.

In three games, the junior quarterback from Wisconsin has completed 33 of 47 passes for an impressive .702 accuracy percentage — far above the .662 Big Eight record set by Kansas' Ralph Miller in 1939 when he completed 23 of 37.

Tagge also leads the league in total passing yardage with 482 yards for a 160.7 per game average.

The Gophers played a zone defense last year, but have gone more to man to man coverage during the 1970 campaign. "Their defensive secondary can't give us any more trouble than Army's did," said Tagge.

Tagge was referring to the fact that Army used a four-deep defense which made it difficult to throw.

"But if they play that type of defense, I hope we can run over 'em," warned the NU signal caller.

And running is where Minnesota nightmare number two, Joe Orduna, enters the picture.

Orduna is fourth in the Big Eight rushing charts this season with a 91.3 yards a game average. Orduna has raced for 1,406 yards in his career and could become the greatest rusher in Nebraska football history.

He is just 329 yards behind Harry Wilson's 1964-66 rushing performance. Wilson is the leading rusher in the Devaney era. And Orduna is 788 yards behind all-time Nebraska rushing leader Bobby Reynolds.

The usually soft-spoken Orduna is looking forward to Saturday's 1:30 p.m. date with the Gophers. "They've got a lot of cocky players and they do a lot of bragging," said Orduna. "We're gonna take a game to 'em."



Tagge aims at Gophers

## More tickets for NU vs. Colorado

Students have another chance to obtain tickets to the Oct. 31 Nebraska vs. Colorado football game at Boulder.

A special allotment of 2,300 tickets will be sold Oct. 5-7, 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4 p.m. in the Coliseum. Tickets cost \$6.

James S. Pittenger, assistant athletic director and ticket manager, announced that the sale will be conducted under policies adopted by ASUN in 1965.

Each full time student may apply for one ticket, married students two. The student must show his identification card in person and leave a check with his ticket application.

If more than 2,300 applications are made, a drawing will determine those students who are to receive tickets. Students must pick up their tickets Oct. 12-14 or have their order cancelled.

## Freshmen basketball

All freshmen interested in trying out for the 1970-71 freshmen basketball team are urged to see new freshman coach Moe Iba before Oct. 15. Iba's office is 207 Coliseum.

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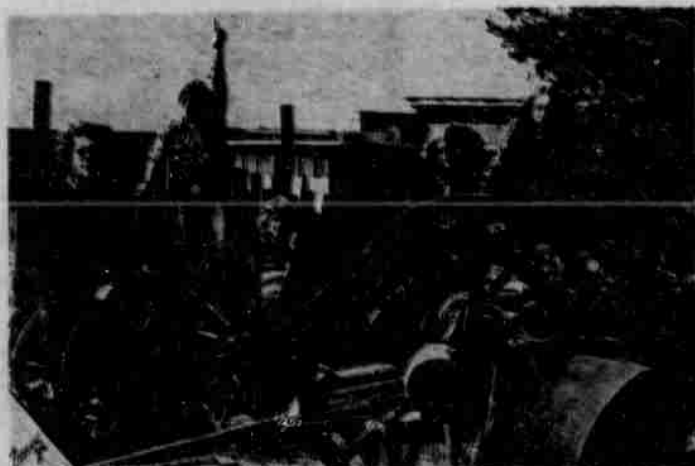
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