

Brownson's elbow causes little concern

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Nebraska quarterback Van Brownson, sidelined earlier in the season with a sore elbow, went through Tuesday's drills with his right elbow wrapped up again.

Brownson injured the elbow during the first quarter of the Colorado game, but didn't notice the affects until after the game.

"It became sore Sunday morning," offered Brownson. "The longer I waited for treatment the stiffer it became."

Nebraska team trainers described the injury as similar

to the one earlier in the season, but scoffed at the possibilities of it being as serious.

"It's just a bump," explained trainer Paul Schneider. "He could throw anytime he wants, but there's just no need to irritate the elbow. He'll be ready for the game Saturday and besides, he doesn't need to practice throwing the ball anyway."

Brownson didn't wear an elbow pad in the Colorado game as he has done all season.

As the Husker trainers worked on getting Brownson in shape for Saturday's date with the Cyclones at Ames, Iowa,

coach Bob Devaney concentrated on stopping the ISU passing game.

Iowa State's Otto Stowe, who holds nearly every Cyclone reception record, could present some serious problems. "We hope we can cover him and also hurry the passer so he doesn't have as much time to throw as he would like," Devaney said Tuesday.

Devaney doesn't plan any drastic changes in the pass coverage against Stowe, but admitted, "He forces you to get help for the guy who is covering him when you can."

Iowa State, which also has two fine quarterbacks, is expected to go with Dean Carlson because of his better passing abilities over George Amundson.

But Devaney isn't overlooking the ISU running game, either. "After the success Colorado had in running against us, I expect Iowa State to try to run more than they have been," he admitted.

"And with the success Colorado had on the reverse, I would imagine everyone we play will be coming up with a reverse to use against us."

Notre Dame holds key to bowl bids

that if his team finishes near the top in The Associated Press national poll Notre Dame officials would "look favorably" upon a bowl game.

But the Notre Dame coach realizes that the NCAA permits bowl invitations to be extended as of Saturday, Nov. 21. "We would make a decision prior to the big game between Arkansas and Texas," he offered.

The Irish finish their 10-game season at Southern California Nov. 28 and the Trojans could be prime for the upset which could knock the Irish from the No. 2 spot.

It appears that the Dec. 5 game between Texas and No. 7 Arkansas will determine the Southwest Conference champion and the representative in the Cotton Bowl game.

Reports have indicated that Notre Dame already is committed to the Orange Bowl and

a likely showdown with No. 4 Nebraska.

However, with Texas and Notre Dame headed for a possible one-two finish in the poll, Irish partisans may clamor for Notre Dame to seek revenge and the national title in the Cotton Bowl. The Longhorns defeated Notre Dame in the Dallas classic 21-17 last year.

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