



Unger...satisfied with performance.

Unger loses, but inherits No. 1 spot

Nebraska sophomore Bob Unger figured if he could run the Pioneers Park course under 20 minutes in Saturday's Big Eight cross country meet he might win.

He got the time he wanted, but hadn't counted on a K-State senior going even faster.

Unger ran 19:25, 39 seconds under his previous best, but placed second to

Jerome Howe who was four seconds faster. It was the second conference cross country title for Howe, who credited Unger with a super performance for a sophomore.

With Howe graduating this spring, Unger becomes the heir to the distance running throne in the Big Eight. He finished 27th in the conference meet last year.

Kansas State easily won the team title by placing three runners in the top eight and scoring a total of 49 points. K-State last won the team race in 1966.

Kansas was second with 75, and Nebraska finished two points behind in third.

Nebraska's scoring was completed by Lynn Hall, 12th; Jim Hawkins, 13th; Mike Fertig, 20th; and Dan Speck, 30th.

1. Jerome Howe, Kansas St., 19:21.9
2. Bob Unger, Nebraska, 19:25
3. Charles Boatright, Oklahoma St., 19:38
4. Randy Heierding, Oklahoma, 19:45
5. Mike Stegner, Colorado, 19:45
6. Dave Anderson, Kansas, 19:47
7. Rick Hitchcock, Kansas St., 19:48
8. Frank Rodriguez, Kansas St., 19:49
9. Jerry McKeon, Kansas, 19:56
10. Brian Walsh, Missouri, 20:00
11. Jon Callen, Kansas, 20:01
12. Lynn Hall, Nebraska, 20:04
13. Jim Hawkins, Nebraska, 20:05
14. Tom McKinley, Colorado, 20:07
15. John Feltner, Kansas St., 20:13
16. Terry Ziegler, Oklahoma, 20:16
17. Ryan Eichner, Iowa St., 20:18
18. Charles Copp, Kansas St., 20:19
19. John Gregorio, Colorado, 20:21
20. Mike Fertig, Nebraska, 20:22

Team Scoring

Kansas St. 49	Oklahoma 118
Kansas 75	Missouri 136
Nebraska 77	Oklahoma State 147
Colorado 110	Iowa St. 155

ISU players disagree on Husker-OU game

by Jim Johnston

Iowa State defensive end Harold Bassett didn't predict the outcome of the Nebraska-Oklahoma football game, but he's hoping the Cornhuskers come out on top.

"Nebraska has a great football team in every respect," said Bassett after the Cornhuskers handed the Cyclones a 37-0 beating at Memorial Stadium Saturday. "I respect the Nebraska players. They never try any cheap stuff and they're just out there to play a good football game."

But Bassett didn't offer the same complimentary words for Oklahoma, who defeated Iowa State 43-12 last week.

"I'VE NEVER seen a team as cocky as Oklahoma," said Bassett. "They act like they're the only football team in the nation. I couldn't believe it last week. I hope Nebraska beats them bad."

Now the question. Can Nebraska beat Oklahoma?

Bassett and linebacker Keith Schroeder say the Cornhuskers can stop Oklahoma's Wishbone-T. But Iowa State defensive tackle Larry Hunt tabbed the Sooners as the favorites in the Thanksgiving Day showdown.

"IT'S GOING to be tough for Nebraska's defense to stop Oklahoma," said Hunt. "People are talking about Oklahoma's outside game and forget about their ability to run up the middle. We stopped them outside and they just killed us with inside runs."

Hunt said Oklahoma has a more explosive offensive line.

"There's more to Oklahoma than Greg Pruitt and Jack Mildren," said Hunt. "You never hear about their offensive linemen, but Oklahoma has a much better offensive line than Nebraska. Nebraska won't stop Oklahoma from scoring touchdowns. It's going to take a lot of points to beat Oklahoma."

BUT BASSETT and Schroeder, calling Nebraska a more balanced offensive team, think the Cornhuskers have the edge.

"Nebraska has a more sound offense," said Schroeder, Iowa State's middle linebacker. "Nebraska and Oklahoma have

different types of offenses. Oklahoma is going to hurt you eight or nine yards at a time while Nebraska slowly runs you over."

Schroeder, admitting that Oklahoma surprised the Cyclones with their ability to run inside, says the Wishbone-T can be stopped.

"The big thing to stopping the Wishbone is discipline," said Schroeder. "Every defensive player has to remember his job and not let the Wishbone-T catch him off guard."

Bassett, Iowa State's defensive end who played a big part in stopping Oklahoma's outside game, says Nebraska has the best defense he's seen.

"NEBRASKA'S defense will be the big thing," said Bassett. "I think Nebraska will stop their outside game with ends like Willie Harper. And the middle of Nebraska's defensive line is unreal. They can stop Oklahoma's inside stuff."

Meanwhile, down at the other end of Memorial Stadium in Nebraska's locker room, head coach Bob Devaney and the Cornhuskers refused to talk about Oklahoma.

"We look at every game as the most important game of the season for us," said Devaney. "We've got to get ready for Kansas State. Nothing is easy when you play at Manhattan."

SO, AT LEAST until next week, the most important game for Nebraska is Kansas State. Before that game, Devaney and his staff don't think Oklahoma exists.

BIG EIGHT

	W	L	T
Nebraska	5	0	0
Oklahoma	4	0	0
Colorado	4	2	0
Oklahoma St.	2	2	0
Iowa State	2	3	0
Kansas St.	2	4	0
Kansas	1	4	0
Missouri	0	5	0

Saturday's Results

Nebraska 37, Iowa State 0
Oklahoma 20, Missouri 3
Kansas St. 35, Oklahoma St. 23
Colorado 35, Kansas 14

This Week

Nebraska at Kansas State
Kansas at Oklahoma
Missouri at Iowa State
Oklahoma St. at Colorado



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