



Senior quarterback Dave Humm credits much of his passing success to the offensive line (left). The coaches plan for him to carry the ball more this season (right).

## Heisman candidate puts team first

By Bob Cullinan

Teamwork is foremost in the mind of Dave Humm.

The highly touted quarterback from Las Vegas, Nev. begins his final season as a Cornhusker today. In spite of all the praise bestowed upon him of late, he said his main concern is to help the entire team, not just himself.

"I'd like to get the offense to score a lot of points this season," Humm said. "We've got to get our points-per-game average up from what it was last year."

His game plan is a simple one. "We've got to score as much as we want and stay on the field as long as we can."

He credits the Husker offensive line with much of the recent success of the Nebraska football program. "This year's line is just great," he added.

Much as been said about Humm in regard to a possible shot at the Heisman Trophy. Humm dismisses the talk, saying that a team must look good first, and any individual

effort must take a back seat to the team goals.

Humm plans to change his style of quarterbacking from one of a basic handoff and throw type to one with a more varied flavor.

"We've been working on the option play a lot more," he said, "and everybody wants me to do a lot more running," The coaching staff has instituted a new conditioning program for Humm, with the idea in mind that he will carry the ball more.

Talk has been circulating that the Nebraska team lacks a break away running threat, but Humm said every player in the Husker backfield is a potential break away.

"We don't have any Joe Washington of Oklahoma, but we've got a good, basic, solid offense," Humm said.

Humm compares the 1974 team to that of the 1971 national championship titlists.

"The potential is there," he said. "We've just got to go out there and prove it now."

Humm holds several Husker passing records and is closing in on several more. Perhaps his best passing day came last year against Wisconsin when he completed a record 25 passes for 297 yards, another record.

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