



Punt returner Jim Burrow (2) heads for the sidelines, then turns downfield amid Husker mates for a 67-yard touchdown against Minnesota.

# Unpredictable 'new' season begins today

By Larry Stunkel

Forget previous won-loss records, statistics and ratings. What coaches refer to as the "second season" starts today as Big 8 football teams open conference play.

Today's Missouri-Nebraska match-up is one of the top games in a schedule that includes Kansas against cross-state rival Kansas State, Colorado against Iowa State and Oklahoma against nonconference foe Texas. Oklahoma, Nebraska and Kansas are rated in the Top 20.

The Big 8 race always has been an unpredictable one, but 14 sports writers of Big 8 campus newspapers took their chances in a preseason poll.

On a 8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 point system, the poll shaped up like this:

Oklahoma .....	96
NEBRASKA .....	84
Missouri .....	61 1/2
Kansas .....	60
Colorado .....	45
Oklahoma State .....	30
Kansas State .....	29
Iowa State .....	25 1/2

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