

# sports

## Frosh humble Kearney; scoreless streak intact

## Beards, oranges hint at New Year's game

By Pete Wegman

During the Nebraska Cornhuskers' football season, most Husker fans think in terms of one color: red. However, recently a little orange has crept into the picture.

When the Huskers played Miami University three weeks ago, the first oranges, thrown by fans hopeful of spending New Year's Day night in Miami at the Orange Bowl, hit Memorial Stadium's artificial surface.

Although players on the team will avoid making any statements about post-season play, the signs are still evident.

Many players sport what linebacker Jim Wightman has called "beards for Miami."

Starting quarterback Vince Ferragamo explained the new growths Saturday, following the Huskers 63-21 thrashing of the Colorado Buffalos.

"The coaches said if we continue to win, we don't have to shave," Ferragamo said. "I hope it (his beard) can get pretty long."

"I hate to look that far ahead, but we're all optimistic," he said.

The Husker fans and players aren't the only ones thinking about bowls.

The fourth-ranked Huskers have been watched by numerous bowl scouts this season and Saturday was no different because scouts from the Fiesta and Sugar Bowls attended.

The Huskers started Saturday's game as if they didn't know bowl games and ratings existed. One minute into the game, Nebraska was behind 7-0, following a 74-yard run by Colorado quarterback David Williams.

That's when Ferragamo, UPI national back and Big 8 Offensive Player of the Week last week, went to work.

Two minutes later Ferragamo hit split end Bobby Thomas with a 42-yard touchdown pass. Ferragamo then proceeded to pick apart the Buffalo secondary.

When the smoke cleared and the game was over, Ferragamo had connected on eight of ten passes for 118 yards and two touchdowns, in less than three quarters.

Ferragamo might have completed more passes if the Huskers had not been trying to hold the score down.

"Colorado has a good ball club, we just had a good day," Ferragamo said.

"If we move them around, we win the game. If they move us around, they win the game. We moved them around today."

## Disappointing performances hamper gymnasts at Iowa

By Jim Hunt

The below-average performance of UNL's all-around gymnasts was the reason for a 214-207.6 loss to Iowa State Friday, Husker gymnastics coach Francis Allen said.

"We had faults where we shouldn't have," Allen said. "Our all-arounders broke (made mistakes) nine times in 12 performances."

Sophomore Larry Gerard finished second in the all-around with 51.70 points while senior Gene Mackie finished fifth.

The all-arounders might have felt a lot of pressure on them, Allen said, but they are better than what they showed. The all-arounders' performance probably cost the team seven or nine points which would have made the difference in the meet, he said.

Allen cited junior Duane West as best performer in the dual for the Huskers.

## Ruggers split with Omaha

The UNL Rugby team split two matches with the Omaha Rugby Club Saturday, with the A team losing 14 to 10, while the B team won 8 to 7.

UNL's freshman football team extended its high-scoring unbeaten record to 4-0, whipping the Kearney State College (KSC) junior varsity 45-0 Friday.

The freshmen have scored 179 points in four shutout games. Coming into Friday's game, KSC also was undefeated.

A Nebraska drive after the opening kickoff was stopped when fullback Mike Washington fumbled on the Kearney 8-yard line.

Nebraska regained the ball on its own 44-yard line after a Kearney punt. Quarterback Tim Hager directed a scoring drive ending in a one-yard plunge by I-back Mike Burton. Dean Sukup kicked the first of six straight extra points.

With 40 seconds left in the first quarter, Hager threw a 56-yard bomb to split end Tim Smith for another touchdown. With

Sukup's kick, Nebraska led 14-0.

On the kick off after the score, Kearney's Mike Hill fumbled. Husker defensive back Bill Holmes recovered on the Kearney 18-yard line and the rout was on.

Washington and tight end John Seko both added first half tallies, the latter coming on a pass from I-back Rich Berns.

Nebraska's first score in the second half came with 8:25 left in the third quarter on a 27-yard field goal by Sukup.

Two minutes later, Mike Kennedy tossed 42 yards to Smith for the fifth Nebraska score.

Kearney State did not reach Nebraska territory until late in the third quarter when KSC's Bill Anderson intercepted a Kennedy pass and ran to Nebraska's 49-yard line. Kearney moved to the Nebraska 32 but turned the ball over on downs.

I-back Isiah Hipp added the final touchdown on a 13 yard scamper.

Three Huskers topped 50 yards rushing. Berns led with 57, Burton had 54 and Dirk Bush ran for 52.

Nebraska finished with 472 yards and 24 first downs compared to Kearney's 95 yards and 7 first downs. Nebraska was 8 for 12 passing with one interception.

## UNL blanks foe in field hockey

Crisp 30-degree hockey weather created a perfect setting for a 7-0 win by the UNL women's field hockey team over the University of Iowa Saturday.

Nebraska dominated the match, leading 11:46.3 minutes to 1:41.1 minutes in penetration time and committing only three penalty corners to Iowa's eight.

Center-forward Mary Claire Franssen and right-inner Sue Hansen each scored a goal in the first 10 minutes and Hansen added a third goal midway through the half to give Nebraska a 3-0 lead.

Hansen suffered a bruised ankle late in the first half, and although she sat out the last two minutes of play, she returned in the second half.

Four minutes into the second half, Hansen scored again and 16 minutes later Franssen added the fifth Nebraska goal.

Franssen scored the final two Nebraska points two minutes apart, the first with 30 minutes gone in the half.

Left-halfback Deb Collins and left-inner Jane Shandera were substituted for Tammy Thietje and Marsha Mohi at half.

Collins, usually a starter, sat out the first half because of a cut hand, field hockey coach Elizabeth Petrakis said.

## sports shorts

Revening a loss in the Graceland Invitational Tournament the week before, the UNL volleyball team defeated Kearney State 15-11, 15-8 Saturday at Kearney.

The Kearney State-UNL match followed an easy 15-2, 15-5 win by UNL over Wayne State earlier that day.

In their third match Saturday, UNL beat Concordia 15-2, 15-5.

The varsity spikers record is now 13-5 and they travel to Springfield, Mo. next weekend to compete in the Southwest Missouri State Tournament.

Colorado's soccer team avenged its school's football loss with a 3-2 win over UNL's soccer team Saturday before 100 Memorial Stadium spectators after the football game.

Victor Bishop and Victor Kwamie scored Nebraska's goals. Bishop is a junior from Mexico and Kwamie is a sophomore from Ghana.

The ABC television network announced Saturday they will televise the UNL-Missouri football game from Columbia next Saturday.

This will mark Nebraska's first live tele-

vision appearance on ABC stations this season. Missouri has appeared twice before.

An optimistic writer for

Associated Press in Louisiana reported that Louisiana State's 24-6 football win over South Carolina Saturday "kept alive the Tigers' mathematical chance to avoid a losing season."

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