

# Arch rival UNO is frosh foe

By Rob Barney

Guy Ingles, UNL head freshmen football coach, will be coaching his second game today at 1:30 p.m. when the Huskers battle their arch rival, the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) junior varsity.

But Ingles said it is more important to him that his players also will be in their second game.

"I don't like people playing up 'Ingles makes impressive debut' and stuff like that," he said. "The players deserve the credit. They're the ones playing."

UNL's freshmen downed Kansas State University's (KSU) junior varsity 38-6 in their first game two weeks ago. UNO has lost to Iowa State University junior varsity in their only game.

"Except for a few costly turnovers they (UNO) played as well as Iowa State," Ingles said. "They look like a pretty capable team."

### Big rivalry

"It's a good rivalry, one of the biggest games of the year," Ingles said. "Some of these kids played together and against each other in high school."

The series between the two schools started in 1974 when the Huskers downed UNO 6-0. Last year UNL won 41-0.

Ingles said he is pleased with the progress of the team but the real test is today.

"Our kicking game is coming," he said. "It's not the strongest part of our team, but the punters are doing a good job."

Former Nebraska Blackshirts and current assistant freshmen coaches Mark Heydorff, Bob Thornton, Dean Gissler and Dave Redding have been instilling the Black-shirt tenacity into the defense, Ingles said.

"The hitting and pursuit of the defense has been real good," Ingles said. "The coaches have done an excellent job."

Steve McKelvey and Ron Nitzel, freshman assistant coaches, help Ingles with the offense.

### Only freshman program

UNL has the only freshman program in the Big 8 Conference. It has remained because of its rich tradition and UNL's ability to attract walk-on players, Ingles said.

"We've had a successful freshman program for a while (54-6 record since 1956), and over a number of years you start to attract people so you don't have to use sophomores and juniors," Ingles said.

"Walk-ons are treated fairly, no different than a scholarship athlete. And if he's better he will start," Ingles continued. "The two football staffs and the Athletic Dept. feel a freshman program is a good way to acclimate a freshman to college sports."

A total of 82 of the 82 players currently on the roster are walk-ons. Most are from Nebraska, but there are

11 walk-ons from out-of-state, including starting middle guard George Macht from Julesburg, Colo.

"I don't know where these guys find out about Nebraska but they keep showing up," Ingles said. "It's tough for them, paying their own tuition and everything. A lot of guys will play and hopefully have a chance to help the varsity."

One freshman player already is helping the varsity. Kerry Weinmaster, a middle guard, has earned a spot with the varsity and made the trip Saturday to Colorado.

The freshmen lost the services of another performer, but for different reasons. Highly recruited tight end Mike Polk left school and went back home to Lawrence, Kan. to work for his father.

"It's hard to believe he left," Ingles said. "I don't think he cared for Lincoln or the classroom and living in the dorm. He might be hiding the truth, but he told us football wasn't the reason he was leaving. He hasn't transferred to another school."

Despite the loss of two top performers Ingles said he thinks this squad compares favorably with past ones.

## Wrestlers untested, but attitude good

By Mike McCarthy

A young and untested Husker wrestling squad has head coach Orval Borgialli apprehensive about the upcoming season.

"Right now we look all right on paper," Borgialli said. "But it's hard to assess a team until they start practicing on the mats. This year's squad has the best attitude of any team I've ever coached. And attitude is 80 per cent of winning."

Borgialli said the Huskers have been training with weights in preparation for the Great Plains Tournament in Lincoln Nov. 12 and 13. The meet will feature up to 40 teams, he said.

Winners in the Great Plains Tournament will be invited by the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) to attend the Tbilisi Republic of Georgia meet in Moscow, U.S.S.R.

Borgialli said that with so many teams in the Great Plains Tournament, individual performance is stressed rather than team scores.

"Opening with a tournament instead of a dual has a definite advantage," he said. "It lets us enter three wrestlers per weight class instead of just one. This gives several inexperienced kids a chance to get their feet on the ground and get seasoned."

## sport shorts

The UNL women's volleyball team won eight straight matches Saturday and won the Graceland College Invitational in Lamoni, Iowa. In the finals, the Huskers beat the University of Kansas 15-7, 15-4.

The Huskers have yet to lose a match this year. Nancy Wilkinson was named the all-tournament player.

The University of Nebraska at Omaha will host the Huskers for their next match Thursday in Omaha. The Husker Invitational Tournament will be Saturday.

The University of Missouri beat the men's cross country team Saturday 19-40. Sophomore transfer Steve Allen was UNL's top finisher, placing fourth in 26:08.

The Huskers are now 0-2 in dual meets. Their next dual is at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, Saturday.

South Dakota State University squeezed past the women's field hockey team 3-2, Saturday in Brookings, S.D.

Jean Shandera and Marsha Mohl scored UNL's goals. Their next match is 4:30 p.m. Friday at the Women's Physical Education field.

"It also gives us a chance to see what a kid looks like in front of the crowd," he said. "Sometimes a kid looks bad in the wrestling room, but when he gets in front of a crowd he really performs."

One 330-pound gap in the Huskers lineup this year is caused by the absence of junior letterman Bruce Conger. Borgialli said Conger, who consistently placed high in the Husker's meets last year, decided not to attend school this fall because "he had a lot of things on his mind."

"He notified me by letter two days before school started that he wasn't coming back," Borgialli said. "I kept in touch with him this summer and was very surprised when I got the letter. Those 330 pounders are hard to come by."

More than 40 wrestlers, including 10 returning lettermen, are out for this year's squad. But Borgialli said he expects that number to be reduced one third to one fourth by next week.

"After we start practicing on the mats, more kids will decide to give it up," he said. "They eliminate themselves. I don't tell anyone they're off the team unless they break training rules."

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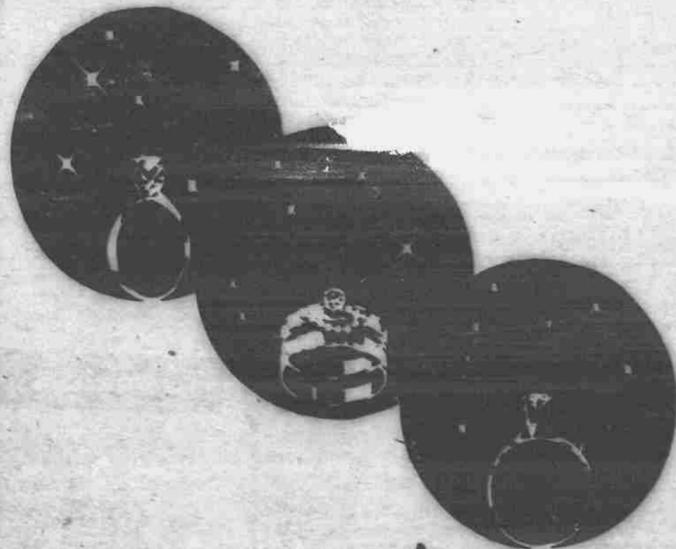
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