

Win crucial...

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Nebraska officials are expecting the 94th consecutive Memorial Stadium sellout today.

Nebraska ranks fourth in the nation in attendance this fall, trailing Michigan, Ohio State and Tennessee, each of which has a larger stadium.

Attendance in the Big 8 is continuing at a record pace. Prior to this week, 2,135,376 fans watched conference games, an average of 54,753 per game.

Nebraska has played Kansas more than any other opponent. Today's game marks the 84th meeting between the two schools, with Nebraska holding a 59-21-3 series edge.

The last six years the Huskers have been awesome against the Jayhawks, posting wins of 31-3, 16-0, 56-0, 10-9, 56-0 and 55-0, for a scoring edge of 224-12.

Kansas' last win over the Huskers came in 1968 when the Jayhawks won 23-13 in Lincoln.

Although no Huskers lead any individual categories in Big 8 statistics, several are near the top. I.M. Hipp is the conference's second-leading rusher with a 118.7-yard average, behind the 142-yard pace of Oklahoma State's Terry Miller. Hipp now has dropped to eighth in national rushing statistics.

Tim Smith is the third-leading receiver with 23 receptions for 371 yards and one

touchdown. Smith also is the third-leading punter with a 40.6-yard average.

Billy Todd, with 11 field goals in 16 attempts, is first among Big 8 kickers in percentage of field goals made, but trails Oklahoma's Uwe von Schamann in field goals per game.

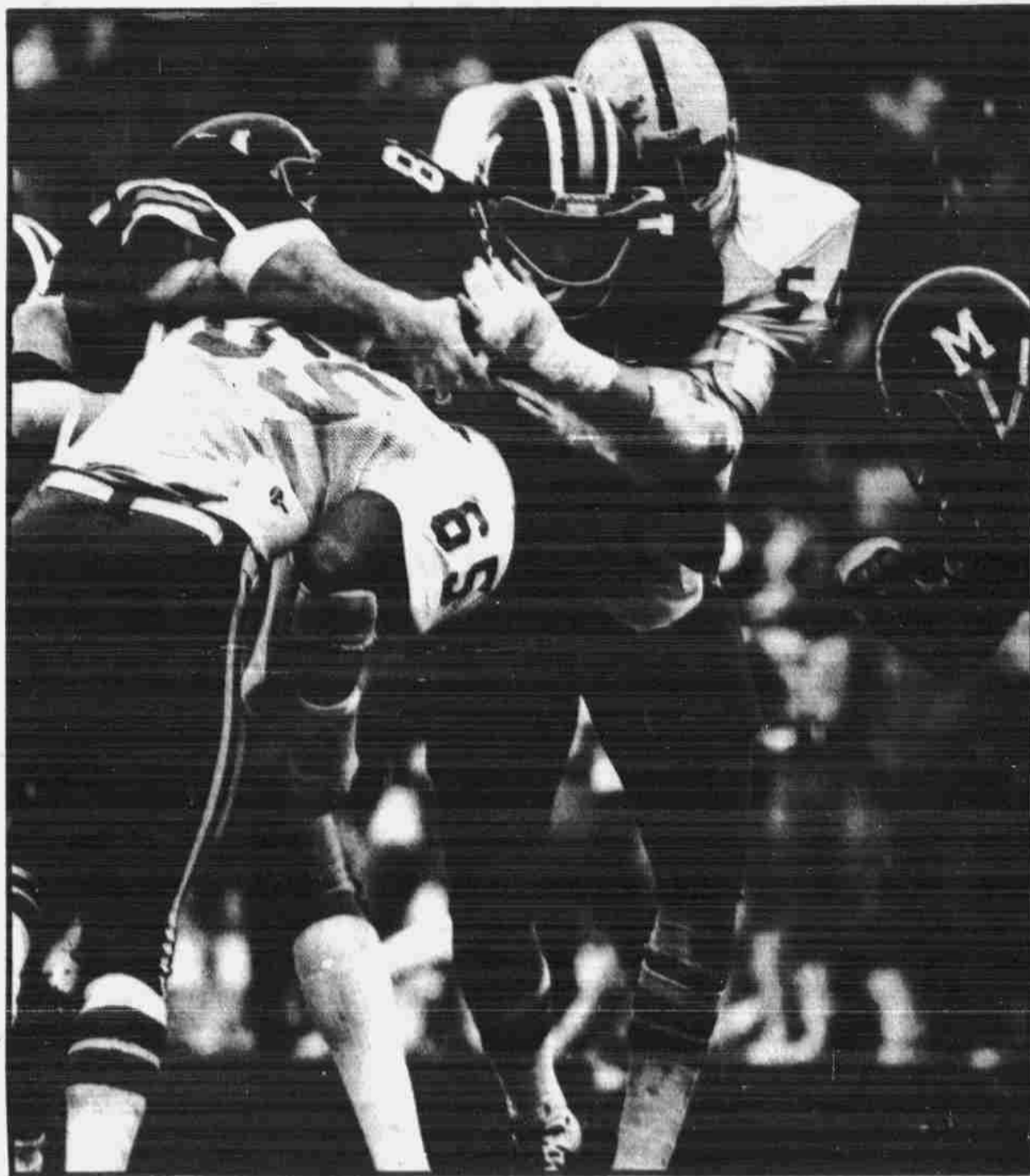
Curtis Craig is second in kickoff returns and Jim Pillen is second in interceptions with four.

Todd needs one field goal today to break the single season field goal mark of 11 he now shares with Paul Rogers and Al Eveland.

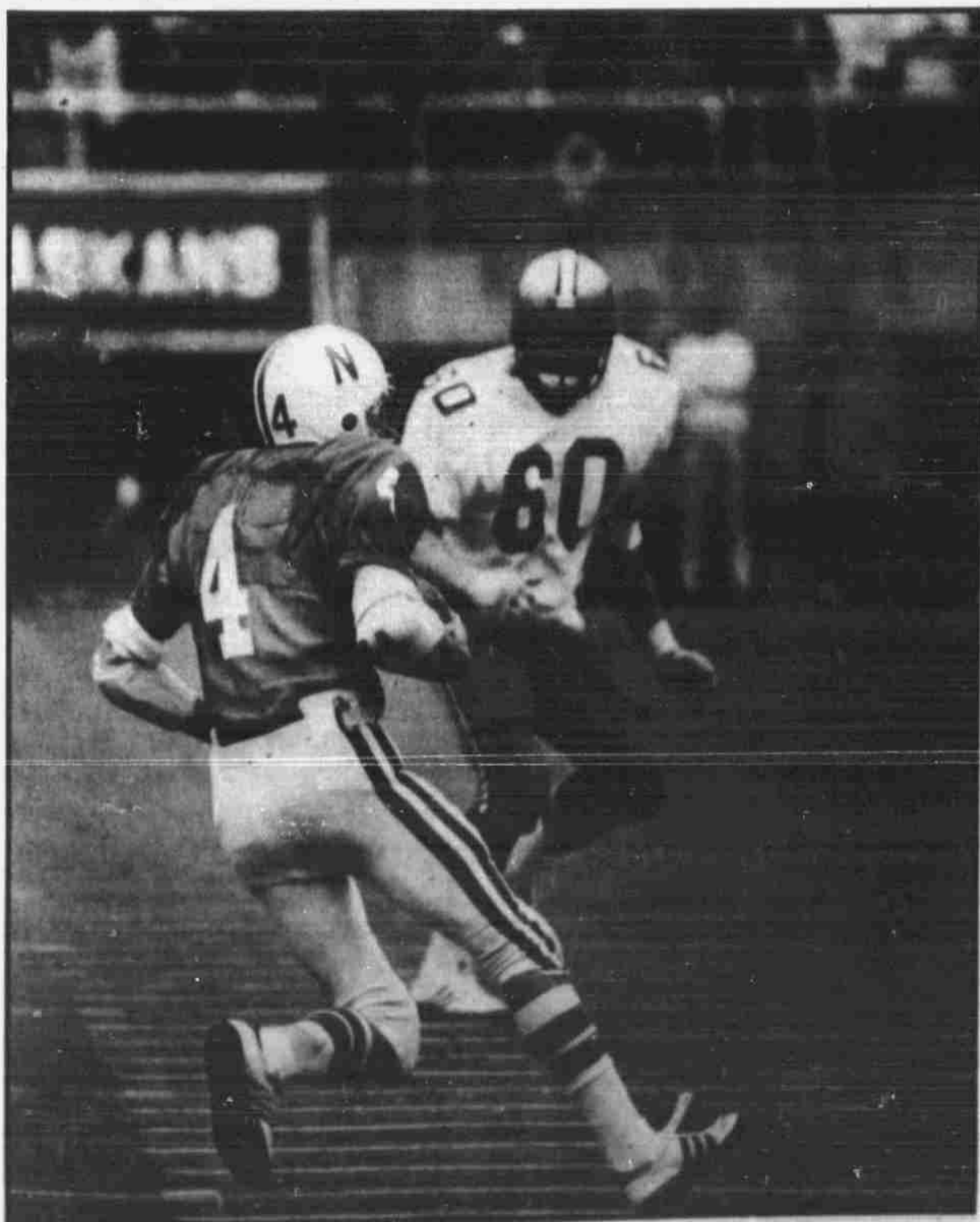
Rick Berns ranks tenth on the Husker career rushing charts with 1,491 yards. If Berns picks up 59 yards today, he'll move into seventh. I.M. Hipp, with 1,068 yards this season, ranks 16th on the career charts. He needs 277 additional yards this season to break Bobby Reynolds' single season rushing mark set in 1950.

Last week's win over Missouri guaranteed the Huskers their 16th consecutive winning season. The win enabled head coach Tom Osborne to collect his fifth winning season in five years as head coach. Osborne's mark with the Huskers now stands at 44-12-2.

The 16 consecutive winning season is not a Husker record, however. The Huskers had 18 straight winning seasons from 1920 through 1937. The head coaches involved in that winning string were H.F. Schulte, Fred T. Dawson, E.E. Bearg, D.X. Bible and L. McC. Jones.



Middle guard Oudious Lee (65) and tackle Barney Cotton (54) corral Missouri quarterback Pete Woods last week. Lee was named Nebraska's defensive player of the game.



Safety Larry Valasek (4) gets a rare chance to carry the football after making a key interception against Colorado to stop a first-half drive.

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