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Husker defense hopes to disappoint Inez

By Shelley Smith

NU Defensive Coordinator Lance Van Zandt said he wants to get a lady named Inez mad at him Saturday afternoon.

"If she gets mad at me, it means we're getting through the offensive line and to the quarterback," he said.

Saturday, second ranked Nebraska (8-0) faces unranked Kansas State (3-5) in Manhattan.

And Inez is the wife of K-State Head Coach Jim Dickey.

She is also the mother of the Wildcats' starting quarterback, Darrell.

"We never intentionally go after any player but we've got to try to get to the quarterback and that might not make Inez happy," Van Zandt said.

Van Zandt said he is an old friend of the Dickey's, and that seriously, he wouldn't want Inez to get too upset.

Both Van Zandt and Jim Dickey grew up in Texas and attended Texas colleges. Dickey coached at Oklahoma State from 1963-69, and Van Zandt coached there in 1973. Van Zandt also replaced Dickey as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at the University of Kansas before he came to Nebraska in 1975.

Darrell Dickey, a freshman who emerged as the top quarterback after the first two quarterbacks were injured, has

been a strong point in the Wildcat offense, Van Zandt said.

"Darrell is giving them life," he said.

Three weeks ago, K-State wasn't playing very well, Van Zandt said. Dickey came into the spotlight in the Wildcats' 19-3 upset over Missouri. Although K-State was beaten by Kansas last week, Dickey still passed for 306 yards and one touchdown.

Van Zandt said playing against a passing-oriented team doesn't really concern him.

Nebraska's secondary, which was widely criticized in the beginning of the season, was criticized by people "who don't know football," he said.

Right now, Van Zandt said, Nebraska has the best secondary in the league.

"The problem is people look at the yards of passing completed, rather than average yards an attempt," he said.

The Huskers lead the Big Eight in number of yards an attempt with a 4.9 average. No other Big Eight team is below 5.0 yards, he said.

Van Zandt said he expects Kansas State to pass a lot Saturday, but said he won't alter the Huskers' pass defense tactics.

"We're still going to dance with the ones we've been dancing with," he said.

Despite what many people think, pass defense is more than just the secondary, Van Zandt said.

"A good pass defense is really the linemen. If you have a good pass rush by the linemen, you're going to have good pass coverage," he said.

Nebraska Head Coach Tom Osborne, earlier in the week, said he thought the Wildcats will give the Huskers a tougher game than many think.

They've been improving consistently in the past two weeks," he said.

What will hamper the Huskers, Osborne said, is injuries to two key players.

I-back Jarvis Redwine suffered a knee sprain last week in the Huskers 23-20 victory over Missouri.

Defensive end Derrie Nelson suffered a sprained ankle in the third quarter of the Missouri game yet still made a game saving tackle the last play of the game. Both probably will not make the trip to Manhattan, and freshman Roger Craig will replace Redwine's spot, he said.

Craig Johnson is expected to start at I-back.

Lottery results announced

Students that drew lottery numbers between 13 and 2,834 are assured of football tickets for the Oklahoma game, the Nebraska Ticket Office announced Thursday.

Only students with the numbers between 2,835 and 3,000 failed to get tickets, according to Jean Walcott of the ticket office.

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Students may begin picking up their tickets Nov. 12, between the hours of 9-12 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., Walcott said. Students who failed to receive tickets should come and claim their payment during the same hours, she added.

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Anyone interested in becoming a batgirl for the 1980 Nebraska baseball team should attend an orientation meeting at 9 p.m. Nov. 11 in the South Stadium Lounge. For more information call Genon Rost, 477-9498.

Men's and women's co-rec intramural officials are needed for volleyball and bas-

ketball. If interested apply at the Recreation Office. For more information call Intramural Coordinator Stan Campbell at 472-3467.

The varsity swim team needs timers, judges and officials. For information call Cal Bentz at 472-2271 or 472-2268.

Texas vs Houston game to decide Cotton Bowl bid

It's hard to believe the college football season is winding down to its final weeks. Bowl bids may be issued any time after 5:30 p.m. CST, Saturday, Nov. 17.

This week's lineup of games should clear the waters for some bowl officials, but it could muddy some others as the conferences involved in bowl contracts try to find a champion.

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For the record, this predictor went 26-7 last week for 78.8 percent. That makes the season record 206-75-7 for 73.3 percent.

It looks like Barry Switzer and Tom Osborne will have to get together and line up a bowl spot for the loser of the annual Nebraska-Oklahoma bash for the Big Eight title. But neither squad can afford to look ahead at this point, especially the injury-plagued Huskers.

Nebraska at Kansas State—There may yet be a silver lining to the cloud of injuries cast over the Husker rushing attack. With the running corps depleted, it could force Nebraska to rediscover its passing game, AWOL for the last two weeks and last seen in its prime during the second quarter of the Penn State game. Having a receiver the quality of Junior Miller and then throwing to him only once last week is like owning a Cadillac and taking it out of the garage only on holidays. Junior, who has just 12 catches this year, dropped the only pass thrown his

way last week. Someone suggested he has been in cold storage so long his hands are frozen.

It is about time to drive the Cadillac out of the shed, and it wouldn't hurt to bring the two sporty models, Tim Smith and Kenny Brown, along with it. Overall, the Huskers have proved worthy of their No. 2 national ranking. Because the only two teams to give Nebraska trouble this season wore black jerseys and gold pants (Iowa and Missouri), the Huskers should be home free, unless the Pittsburgh Steelers pop up on the schedule somewhere. At least they are safe for this week against the purple-shirted Wildcats . . . Nebraska 42, Kansas St. 10

Texas at Houston—This should decide the SWC bowl representative. A Texan win would leave the Longhorns, Cougars and Arkansas tied. Should that tie hold up through the last two weeks of the season, the Razorbacks win the trip to the Cotton Bowl because they are the least recent participant. A Houston win virtually assures them the bowl bid, barring a later upset. Cougar quarterback Delrick Brown said recently, "I'm beginning to think we can't lose." He may be right. . . . Houston 17, Texas 15

Alabama at LSU; Georgia at Florida—Alabama and Georgia are tied in the SEC run for the Sugar Bowl. An LSU upset would probably eliminate the Crimson Tide from consideration, but don't bet the farm on the Bear getting beat this late in the season. Georgia, thoroughly embarrassed last week by a loss to lowly Virginia 31-0, is just 4.4 overall but 4-0 in the conference. Remember, if Georgia and Alabama tie, Georgia goes to the Sugar Bowl. Officials of the New Orleans classic are shuddering at the thought of having to host the Bulldogs. A Georgia win this

week will make them reach for the ulcer pills one more time . . . Alabama 28, LSU 14 . . . Georgia 27, Florida 17

USC at Washington—The Pac-10 Rose Bowl spot hinges on this game. The Huskies, who started fast with five straight wins, have faded just as fast with losses in two of the last three games. Washington is in a must-win situation if it wants to go to Pasadena Jan. 1—to play that is. . . USC 29, Washington 10

Northwestern at Wisconsin—No, these two teams aren't going to a bowl game. The Big Ten Rose Bowl representative will be decided in next week's Michigan-Ohio St. showdown. But a win over anybody for Northwestern will probably create as much excitement for them as a bowl trip would for any other team. The "Upset Special" . . . Northwestern 24, Wisconsin 20

Other Games Saturday

Midwest—Oklahoma over Kansas; Missouri over Iowa St.; Colorado over Oklahoma St.; Indiana over Illinois; Ohio St. over Iowa; Michigan over Purdue; Michigan St. over Minnesota.

South—Georgia Tech over Air Force; North Carolina over Clemson; Wake Forest over Duke; Kentucky over Vanderbilt; Tulane over Ole Miss; Auburn over Mississippi St.; Notre Dame over Tennessee; Penn St. over North Carolina St.; Florida St. over South Carolina.

Southwest—Arkansas over Baylor; SMU over Wichita St.; Texas Tech over TCU.

East—Rutgers over Army; Pittsburgh over West Virginia; Navy over Syracuse.

West—UCLA over Arizona St.; BYU over Long Beach St.; California over Washington St.; Stanford over Oregon.



Photo by Tom Gessner

Up and over

Eric Williams (44) and Mike Naderer wait for a rebound during one of the Huskers' basketball practices this week. Nebraska, with only two returning starters off a 14-13 season, opens the 1979-1980 year Nov. 24 by hosting Windsor, Ontario at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.