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## Redwine's return may help offensive timing

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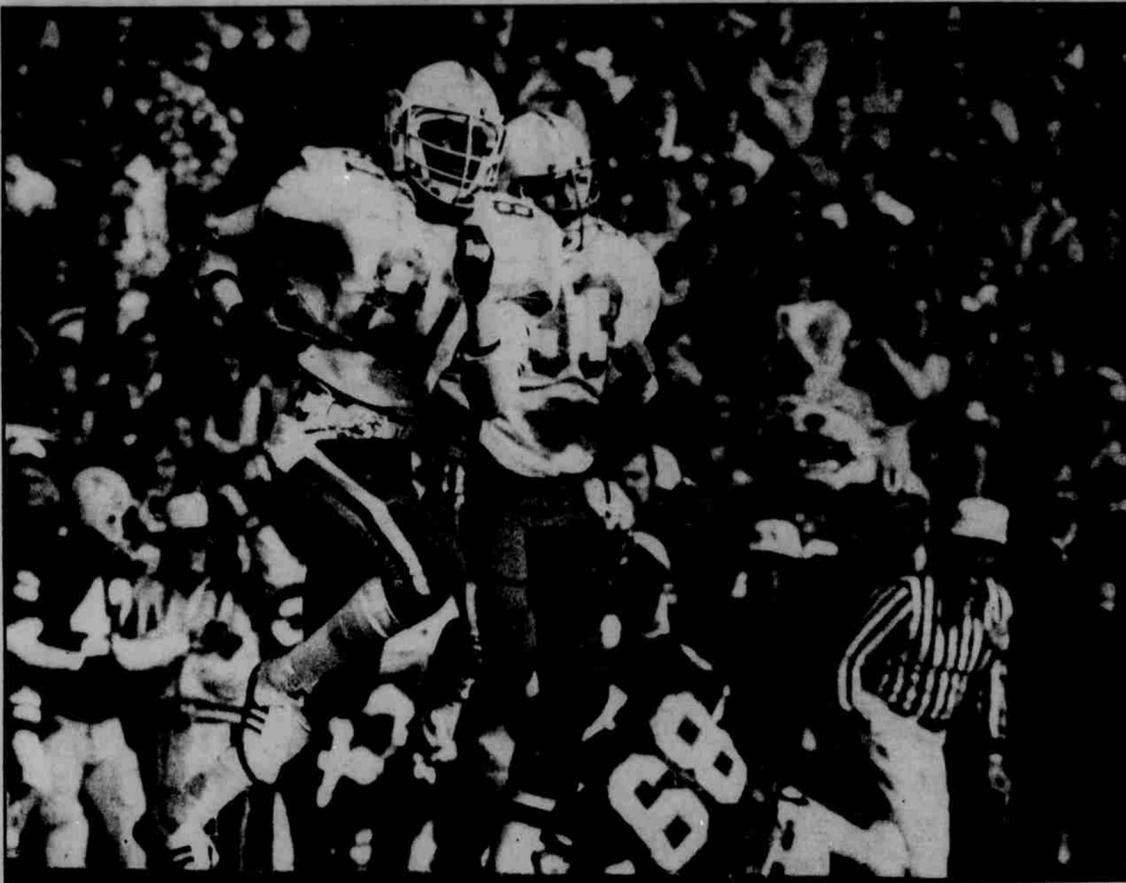


Photo by Mike Sweeney

L.C. Cole is headed for the end-zone on his 60-yard interception return last week against Kansas State. The Nebraska defense ranks fourth nationally this week, giving up 197 yards a game. The Huskers are giving up 71.4 yards rushing, which is third nationally.

Nebraska football coach Tom Osborne said he's not worried about Iowa State. The Cornhuskers, 9-0 for the season, take on the 3-6 Cyclones in Lincoln Saturday.

"I'm sure they (Iowa State) will play well," he said. "I'm concerned about us now—how good we can be." Coming off two less-than-dynamic victories, the Huskers will need concentration to beat a team like Iowa State, Osborne said. Last week, before Nebraska downed Kansas State 21-12, the Huskers lacked intensity—the reason for the narrow margin win, he said.

However, practice this week has been different. "All of us realize what's at stake now. We know it's important to get everything out of our system and just have a good game," said quarterback Jeff Quinn.

Quinn, who is scheduled to start his first game since Nebraska played Iowa the second game of the season, said he agrees with Osborne that attitude is the key to victory.

"We were concerned a little more this week because we had two bad games," he said.

"But we saw what we could do earlier in the year—it's just a matter of concentration."

What will help that concentration, according to offensive tackle Mark Goodspeed, is the return of I-back Jarvis Redwine to the Husker's starting lineup.

Redwine, until an injury sidelined him during the Missouri game two weeks ago, had rushed to 925 yards, and was the Big Eight's leading rusher, ahead of Oklahoma's 1978 Heisman Trophy winner Billy Sims.

Redwine injured his right knee against Missouri, and then sprained an ankle last week against Kansas State. However, Osborne said Redwine has shown steady improvement this week.

Goodspeed said Redwine's return will restore timing of the offense.

"We played the first seven games with him, and not to say anything bad about Isaiah (Hipp) or Craig (Johnson), once you get timed in with a back, there is a certain rapport between that back and the linemen," Goodspeed said.

Iowa State, predominately a rushing team, has regrouped, according to Osborne, and also is boosted by healthy running backs.

However, defensive tackle Bill Barnett said he doesn't see the Cyclone running attack as much of a problem.

"We've seen all of their plays before, and we've been defending them well all week," he said.

Both Goodspeed and Barnett said they feel it is not only important for Nebraska to win Saturday, but also to win big.

"When you win big you come out of a game with not many injuries—it's not that hard on you because a lot of people get to play. It's emotionally relaxing," Barnett said.

Goodspeed said playing Oklahoma the following week probably looms in every player's mind, and added that a dynamic win could bolster the team's self-confidence.

"We're alright. We're doing fine, and we're going to play hard—that's the confidence we need," Barnett said.

## Women's gymnastic team at Iowa

The Nebraska women's gymnastic team will open their 1979-1980 season this weekend when they travel to Iowa City to participate in the Iowa Invitational.

Fourth-year head coach Judy Schalk's two-time defending Big Eight Champions will take an eight woman team to the eight-team meet.

Schalk said her top eight gymnasts include all-arounders Patty Carmichael-Gerard, Renee Reisdorff, Debbie Garrison, and Carol Chmelka. Specialists include Crissy Robertson, Karen Madsen, Nancy Evans and Sue Latrenta.

Latrenta, who is one of Schalk's top all-arounders, will perform only on the uneven bars because of a broken foot.

The Lady Huskers, who finished 11th in the nation last

year, will compete against Kansas, Wisconsin-Madison, Wisconsin-LaCrosse, South Dakota State, Mankato State, St. Cloud State and host team Iowa.

Despite having one of the youngest teams in the nation with just two seniors, two sophomores and eight freshmen, Schalk said this year's team is ahead of last year's.

"Compared to last year we're way ahead," she said.

"They're doing much more difficult skills early in the season. Even though we're young and we have some injuries, I think we should walk away with this meet," she said.

Schalk said she hasn't seen any of the teams perform yet, but she expects Iowa and Kansas to give Nebraska their toughest competition.

The Huskers first home meet will be Dec. 15 when they host the University of Iowa at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

## Nebraska to turn around Cyclones' hopes Saturday

After driving to Manhattan last Saturday and watching Nebraska and Kansas State fumble around like a couple of high school sophomores in the back seat of a car on their first date, it occurred to me that perhaps the best executed play of the day happened in the pre-game show.

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Four skydivers tumbled out of a plane while the Wildcat band was on the field, popped their parachutes and neatly floated to the AstroTurf.

One landed at the north goal line, another at the south 30-yard line, while the other two plunked down at about midfield, bringing a standing ovation from the more than 43,000 present.

While that trick was adroitly pulled off, a similar act nearly proved disastrous three weeks ago in Berkeley, Calif.

A 22-year-old University of California student, Thomas Kardos, sailed his hang glider into the stadium during the third period of the Cal-USC football game.

Kardos nearly clobbered Golden Bear quarterback Rich Campbell as Campbell was at the line of scrimmage calling the starting count, leaving 70,000 fans staring in disbelief.

The police carted Kardos off, but he was released without being charged.

As far as we know, the only thing flying into Memorial Stadium Saturday is the Iowa State football team. But the Cyclones probably will try to blow in some upset hopes.

This columnist guessed right on 23 of 32 games with one tie last week for 74.2 percent, bringing the season mark to 229-83-8, 73.4 percent.

**Iowa State at Nebraska**—It is no secret that Huskers haven't looked sharp the last two weeks. But there appears to be an air of quiet determination around the Husker camp, as they feel the shadow of a hot-handed Oklahoma team looming ahead. The Huskers need a good tune-up performance against the Cyclones, then rest the injured and prepare for Big Red shootout No. 60 next week. . . . Nebraska 35, Iowa State 7

**Auburn at Georgia**—This is the one we have all been waiting for. If Georgia wins, they go to the Sugar Bowl. Then maybe conferences and bowl promoters will see how foolish tie-in contracts for bowls are. And maybe such contracts will be eliminated. And maybe Bear Bryant will have to take his Crimson Tide to a bowl where he can't manipulate who the opponent will be. All those in favor of having justice prevail, raise your right paw and growl "Go Bulldogs" . . . Georgia 20, Auburn 17

**Ohio State at Michigan**—The Buckeyes moved ahead of Nebraska in this week's AP sportswriters' poll. Evidently, some of the writers are a bit short-sighted, forgetting that Ohio State beat Northwestern only 16-7 and had to score in the final 33 second to defeat a mediocre UCLA team 27-23 earlier this season. Even in last week's 34-7 win over Iowa, Ohio State gained only 185 yards in total offense, but 10 Iowa turnovers made the game appear to be a rout.

Nevertheless, Earle Bruce's team has played well lately. Bo Schembacher's squad hasn't. That means a long day for Michigan fans . . . Ohio State 17, Michigan 10

**Oklahoma at Missouri**—The Sooners have been firing 38s lately, scoring 38 points in each of their last four victories. Missouri rarely plays Oklahoma well. Don't expect any miracles this time either. . . . Oklahoma 31, Missouri 15

**Kentucky at Florida**—This is the "Upset Special" and it comes straight from the Law of Averages. The Gators are 0-7-1. They are bound to win some time . . . Florida 27, Kentucky 21

#### Other Games Saturday

**Midwest**—Colorado over Kansas; Oklahoma St. over Kansas St.; Illinois over Northwestern; Michigan St. over Iowa; Indiana over Purdue; Minnesota over Wisconsin.

**South**—Notre Dame over Clemson; Florida St. over Memphis St.; Alabama over Miami (Fla.); LSU over Mississippi St.; North Carolina over Virginia; South Carolina over Wake Forest.

**Southwest**—Arkansas over Texas A&M; Baylor over Rice; Texas over TCU.

**East**—Syracuse over Boston College; Yale over Harvard; Maryland over Louisville; Navy over Georgia Tech; Pittsburgh over Army; Penn St. over Temple; Rutgers over Villanova.

**West**—Stanford over California; Arizona over Oregon St.; UCLA over Oregon; BYU over Utah; Arizona St. over West Virginia; Washington over Washington St.