

Knox . . .

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Melton said Knox is a smart ball-player. "He seems to be in the right place at the right time. He's a very coachable, hard working young man."

Melton said Knox is a little quicker and covers passes better than he did a year ago.

Knox said the Nebraska defense as a team also has improved.

"We're more of a group this year," he said. "We play well together and we all have a good time."

Knox said he started playing football in the fourth grade. He was an All-American and All-State linebacker for Colorado's Douglas County High School. Nebraska assistant coach Milt Tenopir recruited him. Knox said he never has regretted coming to Nebraska to play football.

Life in Nebraska is a little slower paced and laid back, but Knox said he likes it here. He says he does miss the

Rocky Mountains, though.

Wrestling is another sport that Knox likes and does well in. In Colorado, he was two-time high school state heavyweight champion. After Husker heavyweight Gary Albright was injured and redshirted, Knox took over and posted an 8-4-1 regular season match record, finished third in the Big Eight, and qualified for the NCAA championships.

"It (wrestling) worked on my balance, feet coordination, and conditioning," he said. Knox said he has the disadvantage of weighing less than many other heavyweights.

After college football and wrestling, Knox said he wants to give pro football a try. "I'd like to play, but I can't count on it."

Knox has the option of using his health, physical education and recreation major if professional football doesn't work out.



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JIM CARSON
 Sophomore, Lincoln, Neb.
 Wins No. 1 singles in first intercollegiate competition for Husker tennis team this fall.

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