Injuries, inexperience dim Wildcats' hopes

By Jeff Browne

Opening the year with a record of two wins and five losses shouldn't seem too out of the ordinary for Kansas State's football team.

After all, KSU has had two losing streak in their history of more than 20 games, only one conference championship and one bowl bid in a day when bowl bids seem to flow like U.S. and Soviet arms to Central

But this is the first year A.B. (After Bowling), and the sixth year in Coach Jim Dickey's extensive rebuilding program. Both Wildcat coaches and players say they expected much more than the dismal record they now have, and are very frustrated by it.

Assistant head coach Marion Latimore said many of the Wildcat problems can be traced to an abundance of injuries.

"We've played consistent football most of the time," he said, "and the kids have done their very best. We just aren't deep enough to overcome our

One of those key injuries for the Wildcats has been a badly sprained ankle by last year's leading rusher, tailback Joe Faraimo.

Faraimo has rushed three times this year, but has filed for a hardship ruling that would give him

another year of eligibility. He is now a junior, and probably will remain a junior for the 1984 season.

Faraimo, despite the probable hardship ruling, has still been frustrated by the Wildcats' season.

"We started off the season thinking really positive things," he said. "Now, things look pretty bad. The coaches come out with a good game plan, and the team has a good attitude, but somebody somewhere ends up messing up something."

Faraimo's place in the starting lineup has been taken by sophomore Greg Dageforde, who has rushed for 373 yards and four touchdowns.

Quarterback Doug Bogue, who started the Wildcats' first six games before being forced by an injury to sit out the 38-0 loss to Missouri last week, is expected to start Saturday at KSU stadium against Nebraska.

His replacement was junior Donnie Campbell. Campbell said the team isn't as bad as the record might indicate.

"We're making little mistakes here and there," he

"I thought we were going to play a lot better against Missouri, but we just started making little

Neither Faraimo nor Campbell is willing to say

that the Wildcats' expected improved performance against the Huskers will net them a win.

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"They (Nebraska) are just awesome," Faraimo said. "We just have to play our best and hope they mess up on just about every play."

Campbell was a little more optimistic about the Wildcats' chances.

"They're coming in here with everything to lose," he said. "Our season is pretty much over as far as trying for bowl games. We've got everything going for us, but I'm pretty nervous."

The K-State defense is led by two-time all-Big Eight tackle Reggie Singletary. Singletary is second in the conference with nine tackles for losses, and Latimore describes him as one of the players he can rely on for a really consistent performance.

Latimore said the defense is playing a bit short on experience because of injuries.

"We're playing a couple of guys (freshmen linemen Curtis Hughes and Les Miller) who are going to be great players," he said. "But they're not the type of players we want to play now."

Latimore said that playing freshmen is not a concession to building the future at Kansas State.

"We're still going to line up with the best players we have each Saturday," he said.

Cross country team hopes to end losing tradition

By Jeff Browne

UNL's cross country team is badly in need of some good traditions, its coach said, and Saturday's Big Eight meet in Lawrence, Kan., just might be the place

"We have not been a real good team," first-year Coach Jay Dirksen said. "But this year we've run well. I hope we can finish third or fourth in the Big Eight. There's no reason why we shouldn't."

In the past nine years, Nebraska's team has finished eight in the conference six times. It has finished seventh each of the last two years and its highest finish in the past nine years was fourth in 1977. So, Dirksen is predicting history in the making.

"Iowa State was picked by the coaches to win," Dirksen said, "and Colorado has great tradition, so they'll be hard to beat. Every team will have to run well to beat us."

Dirksen said he expects Nebraska and Kansas State to battle for the third spot in the meet because the Huskers have consistently beaten other teams in the conference this year.

Nebraska's top individual performer is Wally Duffy, a senior from Shenandoah, Iowa.

"I look for Wally to finish in the top five," Dirksen said.

The runners to watch out for, Dirksen said, are Yobes Ondeicki and

Joseph Kipsang of Iowa State. Dirksen said they have a realistic shot at placing high in the national championships later this year.

Nebraska's cross country problems in the past have been caused by a lack of emphasis on the sport, Dirksen said. He said that the athletic department wasn't sure it could have both a good track program and a good cross country program. UNL now intends to do well in both, Dirksen said.

Nebraska's strength this year lies in its balance, Dirksen said.

We have a couple of guys who can run close to Duffy," he said. "All of the other guys will have to run their best times for us to finish high in the conference, but I think they can easily do

UNL's second runner is Gerard O'Callaghan, a sophomore from Cork,

"Gerry used to be a shorter distance runner," Dirksen said, "but he's adjusted and now is a good runner."

Other runners who Dirksen said he will need good meets from are Tom Hoffman, Kurt Russell, Marc Adam, Mark Gokie and Dave Cudmore.

"Hoffman has really come around since the start of the year," Dirksen said, "and Russell was the 1981 junior college national champion. Dave Cudmore is the best seventh man in the Big Eight."

The Big Eight meet has nothing to do

uals for the national championships. may be as important as any for UNL, as Qualifying takes place later this year at it is a chance to break a long, frustratthe district meet.

ing tradition.

Happiness, fun fill air as Peru plays football

Analysis by Jeff Browne

If the state of Nebraska had such a thing as an Aggie Joke, Peru State College students and alumni just might be willing and able to write a book filled with such barbs.

with qualifying a team or any individ-

But their self-deprecating humor conveys a great amount of hominess and happiness associated with their experiences on the "Campus of a Thousand Oaks." Peru State's athletic teams are also, then, a great source of entertainment and sense of community if not a source of constant pride.

Peru State's football teams have had high and low seasons recently, but great success has eluded the Bobcats since the early 1960s. This year, the college hired Jay Adcox, a 31-year-old bundle of inspiration from Missouri, to help steer the Bobcats back to glory.

Peru State's Homecoming, Oct. 8, featured the Bobcats against Northwestern College of Orange City, Iowa, the nation's secondranked team in Division II of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Alumni returned to this small southeast Nebraska town in modest numbers for the game and the activities surrounding it. They seemed to be in agreement that Peru State had changed a great deal since they attended, but that the overall atmosphere of the campus was essentially the same.

The alumni appeared to enjoy most the community atmosphere of the game. The entire southeast corner of the state seems to show up for Peru's games. A dozen high school and junior high bands performed at halftime, and school buses lined the streets of the town.

That atmosphere, which so encouraged the alumni, amused much of the student body. Football games and other athletic events are a chance for them to watch their friends perform and to have a good time themselves, sometimes at the expense of their college.

When the high school and junior high bands performed at halftime; they paraded around the Peru band. These bands had completed in a contest earlier that week at Peru and the winners in the high school and junior high divisions were announced at the half of the football game.

But, Saturday's meet in Lawrence

"Looks like Peru again," said one student, who said he was from

The lettermen's club at PSC also announced its raffle winners at halftime. One student gave his version of what the prizes would be.

"First prize is one year's tuition at Peru," he said. "Second prize is two year's tuition."

Peru's student body is a curious mix of white rural students and black urbanites from Chicago and Florida. Segregation and tension never surfaced among any of the students or alumni at the game, though. Peru's football program owes a lot to two black players from Florida, who led the Bobcats to national prominence in the late

This day, however, PSC dropped a never-harrowing 51-7 decision to Northwestern and the students had fun until the end of the game.

Coach Adcox, despite the rest of the campus' seemingly lax attitude about football success, wasn't pleased with the outcome or the weekend.

"I don't know," he told his team, "maybe we ought to cancel the rest of our games so you guys can go out and drink beer. I can get another job tomorrow. You can't find another football coach that fast."

Adcox wasn't nearly as negative about the program in more private moments.

"We didn't give up today and that's good," he said. "We'll play with guts the next few games and get. back on track. Everything just kind of anowballed on us today.

Adcox won't carry through his threats of canceling Peru's football program. He and the players have too much at stake, and the students and alumni have too much fun.





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Alpha Chi Omega def. ULC 15-9, 15-10 Sandoz Five def. Smith Three 15-3, 15-6 F.O.A.D. def. Sandoz Nine A 15-1, 15-1 Ball Burnishers def. Alpha XI Delta 15-4, 8-15,

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Beta Theta Pi B 60, Beta Sigma Psi B 6
Phi Gamma Delta C 37, Ag Men B 28
Phi Delta Theta B 40, Acacia C 25
Triangle B-1 44, Sigma Phi Epsilon C 12
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