

Sports

Weekend sports-filled

Five Nebraska teams will be in action in Lincoln this weekend, beginning with the women's swim meet this afternoon against Colorado State.

The meet will begin at 3 p.m. at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. Student tickets are \$2 each.

The men's swim team will begin its season in the United States Swim meet at 6 tonight. That competition will continue Saturday and Sunday morning at 10 a.m.

The Nebraska gymnastics team will begin defense of its fifth national title against Iowa State and Oklahoma in the Big Eight Invitational at 7 tonight.

The meet will be in the track area of the Bob Devaney Sports Center and will cost \$3 for general admission seating. Saturday's competition also will begin at 7 p.m.

The Nebraska volleyball team will try to improve its 20-3 record against Oklahoma at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at the Coliseum. Admission to the volleyball match is \$1 with a football ticket, \$3 without.

Kickoff for the Nebraska-Iowa State game Saturday is at 1:30 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.



Staff photo by John Zoz
JIM MIKUS
 Senior Redding, Pa.
 "Only senior all-arounder on 1983-84 gymnasium squad. Mikus had best NCAA meet ever as a junior, with a high bar score of 9.8"

Cyclones like upset chances

By Jeff Browne

Nebraska's defense had trouble stopping quarterbacks Steve Vogel of Colorado and Kansas State's Stan Weber the past two weeks and neither came into the Husker game with outstanding credentials.

Now the defense must face the conference leader in passing and total offense, Iowa State's David Archer, Saturday at Memorial Stadium. The Cyclones like their chances of upsetting the top-ranked Huskers.

Coach Jim Criner said he expects his passing game to move the ball against Nebraska, but the keys to the game will be elsewhere.

"We have to concentrate on executing properly and not turning the ball over," he said. "Our team has the courage and backbone to play a good ball game."

"Our passing game can bother their defense, but two important keys will be how we play defensively and who has better field position."

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne has said — and he was almost proved correct in last week's 51-25 win against Kansas State — that the secret to beating Nebraska is to get field position and to control the ball for long periods. Criner said he thinks he has the man in Archer to get that job done.

Archer has thrown for more than 200 yards in six of Iowa State's eight games so far this year. Last week against Missouri, Archer completed 28 of 47 for 278 yards and two touchdowns. Missouri still won, 41-18.

Sophomore Tracy Henderson's 53 receptions and 733 receiving yards lead the conference in both categories. Criner is duly impressed with his young receiver.

"Tracy Henderson gets better and better," he said. "He doesn't lead the Big Eight by mistake. He has an opportunity to become a great football player. He's one of the best in the league."

Iowa State boasts a number of Nebraskans on their roster, most of them from Omaha. One of Criner's top players is Omaha native, center Chuck Meyers. Meyers has been the only Cyclone player this

year to be deemed worthy to wear a red helmet, symbolic of excellence on the Iowa State team. The rest of the squad wears yellow helmets.

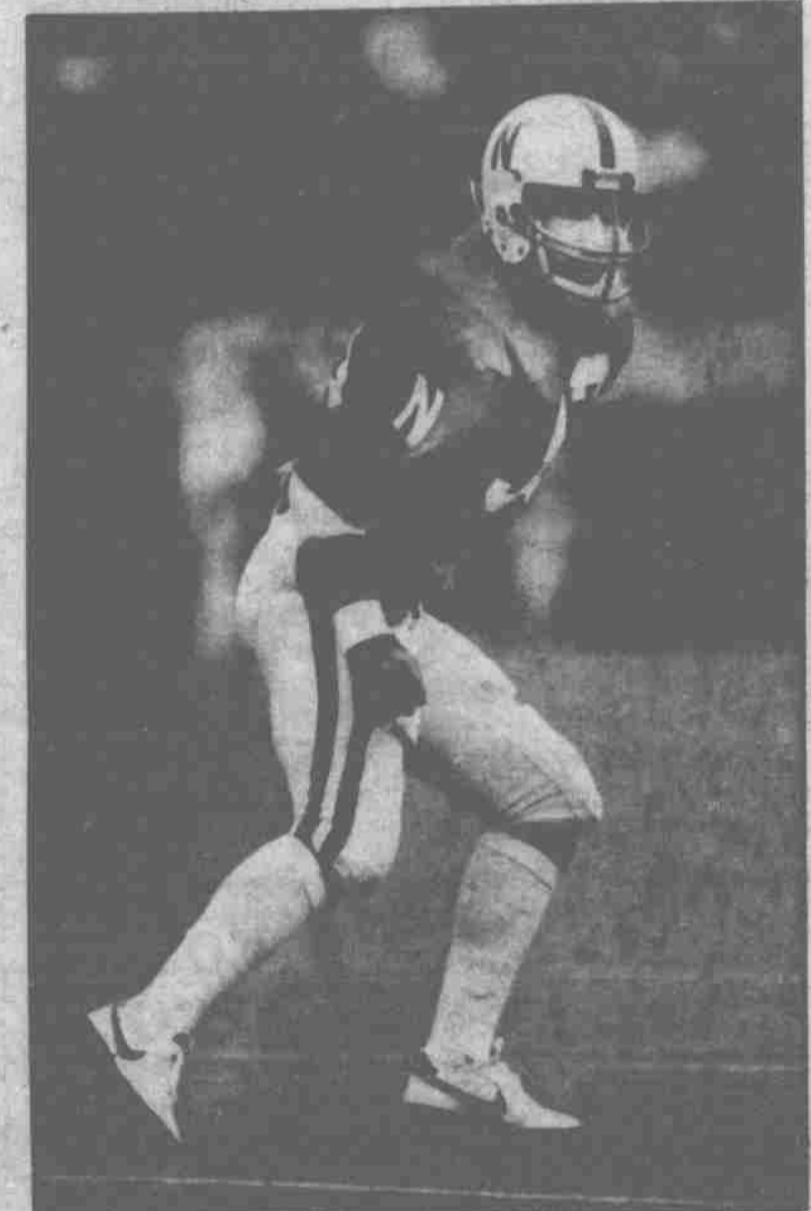
"Chuck is an ideal guy to have this honor bestowed on," Criner said. "He is an all-Big-Eight caliber player who has done everything asked of him and more."

Earlier in the year, Meyers and the rest of the offensive line came under some criticism by Archer, especially after the team lost 24-17 to New Mexico State. But a two-game winning streak in conference play soon smoothed out those differences.

"Our offensive line continues to do a good job," Criner said. "We had only three breakdowns all afternoon (against Missouri)."

Criner's worries now center on what he calls a weak kicking game and a defense which has been giving up almost 400 yards per game.

"Our kicking game must improve," Criner said. "We have been giving our opponents good field position too many times."



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Husker defensivemen like Dave Burke, above, will be looking for better grades from Nebraska coach Tom Osborne after last week's second-half performance against Kansas State. Burke's main problem will come from Iowa State sophomore Tracy Henderson, who leads the Big Eight in pass receptions with 53.

UNL crew wins one race, finishes second in two

The UNL crew won one race and finished second in two others at the Kansas River Regatta last Sunday in Lawrence, Kansas.

The varsity women's four-man boat "won substantially by about five lengths," coxswain Fred Gibson said. The novice men's and women's four-man boats finished second in their races.

"I thought it was pretty fair showing for the first time out," Holmstedt said.

UNL rowed against Kansas, a traditionally strong team, which had multiple entries in most of the races, novice team coach Roger Holmstedt said.

In other races, the varsity men's eight and four-man boats, took third, and the novice men's eight-man boat took 4th.

The crew races again this Sunday at Omaha's Carter Lake against Creighton.

Stanford preserves Bottom 10 status

THE COLLEGES

Just when it seemed out of the Bottom 10 race, Stanford (1-7) fought back with a 18-31 loss to the meager Beavers of Oregon State (2-6), a remarkable feat that moved the Cardinal back into a threatening No. 2 position.

One of OSU's touchdowns, by the way, was scored by a tailback who felt it only proper that he play



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there because of his name — Donald Beavers. Poor fellow. Better he was born Donald Cornhusker.

Elsewhere, Yale (0-7) remained winless, though off to its best start in several years.

But Duke (1-7) succumbed to victory, 32-26 against Georgia Tech (equally 1-7). The Blue Devils were obviously unnerved by the presence of Bottom 10 Bowl scouts in the stands. Bottom 10 Bowl scouts were the only people who attended, incidentally.

THE RANKINGS

TEAM, RECORD	LAST WEEK	NXT. LOSS
1) Minnehaha (1-7)	10-34, Michigan St.	Illinois
2) Stanford (1-7)	18-31, Oregon St.	USC
3) Ga. Tech (1-7)	26-32 Duke	Virginia

4) Yale (0-7)	21-24, Dartmouth	Cornell
5) Rice (1-8)	0-35, Arkansas	SMU
6) Col. (1-5-1)	28-77 Holy Cross	Dartmouth
7) N. Ca. St. (2-6)	17-31, S. Carolina	Appal. St.
8) Colorado (2-6)	14-40, Olda. St.	Kansas
9) TCU (1-6-1)	21-28, Houston	Texas Tech
10) LSU (3-5)	24-27, Ole Miss	Alabama
11) Texas of El Intercepted Paso (1-8)	12) Vanderbilt (2-6)	13) Kansas St. (2-6)
14) Ole Miss St. (2-6)	15) Texas A&M (3-4-1)	16) USC (3-4-1)
17) Pentagon (Army, Navy, Air Force, Virginia Military Institute) (11-21)	18) Northwestern (2-6)	19) Iowa State (3-5)
20) Penn State (5-4)		

CRUMMY GAME OF THE WEEK: Stanford (1-7) vs. USC (3-4-1).

BOUT OF THE WEEK: SMU (6-1) vs. Rice (1-8).

TREND SPOTTER: Florida Coach Charley Pell, protesting the officiating in a 21-28 loss to Auburn: "This is just not a one-day question, but I'm talking about two years ago, too, when we had a touchdown (also against Auburn) stolen from us."

THE FROG

One-time Bottom 10 hopeful Cincinnati (3-6) fell to No. 10 partly because of two touchdowns by its 270-pound fullback Pete Johnson, Of Nos. 46 and 47 (he no longer can fit into one uniform).

Stumbling in the opposite direction, No. 5. Chicago suffered a 17-38 point overrun against Detroit. Afterward, Bears coach Mike Ditka blamed every

quarterback the team has used in the last 23 years. No. 1 Houston (0-9), deadlocked with opponents three times this year when regulation time ended, announced it would put in for no more overtime.

And, in Cleveland's quarterback soap opera, Brian insisted that he was more disappointed at playing behind Paul than Paul was disappointed at playing behind Brian. This week Paul insists on driving the team bus, too.

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TEAM, RECORD	LAST WEEK	NXT. LOSS
1) (tie) Tampa-at-Bay (0-9)	12-17, Pittsburgh	Minnesota
Houston (0-9)	19-25, Cleveland	Cincinnati
3) Air Coryell (3-6)	24-27, Washington	Pittsburgh
4) N.J. Gl. (2-6-1)	20-38, Dallas	Detroit
5) Chicago (3-6)	17-38, Detroit	L.A. Rams
6) Green Bay (4-5)	7) Philadelphia (4-5)	8) St. Louis (3-5-1)
9) New Orleans (5-4)	10) Cincinnati (3-6)	

MONDAY NIGHT CRUMMY GAME OF THE WEEK: Detroit (4-5) vs. N.J. Giants (2-6-1).

QUOTE BOOK: Seattle quarterback David Krieg, recalling how poor his alma mater's football program was: "Our coach used to have someone drive through town in a car with loudspeakers and announce: There's a game at Milton College. Please come."