

## Osborne relives nightmare as Huskers rout Cowboys

By Nick Hodge  
Staff Reporter

A 35-point first quarter that brought back flashbacks of the UCLA "nightmare" propelled Nebraska to a 63-42 victory against Oklahoma State Saturday at Memorial Stadium.

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne said the Cornhuskers' first-quarter point production against the Cowboys reminded him of UCLA's explosion earlier this season. The Bruins ripped Nebraska for 28, first-quarter points on their way to a 41-28 victory against Nebraska in what Osborne later called a "nightmare" quarter.

"I was very surprised at the number of big plays early," Osborne said. "It was almost the UCLA game all over again."

But luckily for Nebraska, the nightmare belonged to Oklahoma State.

The Cowboys, 4-1, entered the game leading the nation in scoring with an average of more than 50 points per game. Osborne said he knew Nebraska would have to score a lot of points to win, but not 63.

"I'm a little disappointed we didn't stop them a little better than we did," Osborne said. "If we're going to

have a chance at the Big Eight championship, we're going to have to do better than that."

The Huskers, who raised their record to 6-1, gained 306 yards of total offense during the first quarter, including 299 yards rushing, and scored all 35 points in less than five minutes of possession time. Four of Nebraska's five touchdowns covered more than 40 yards.

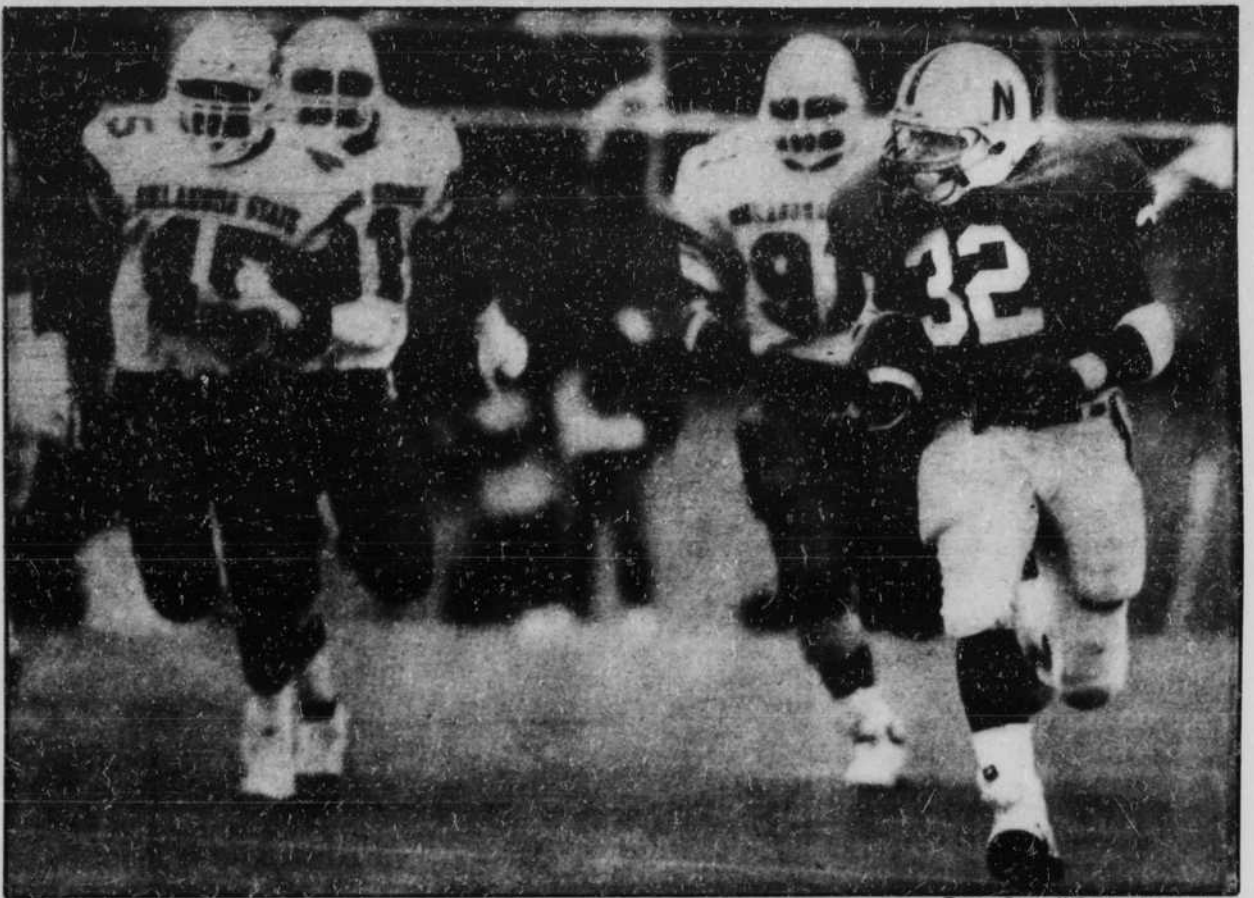
Nebraska I-back Ken Clark rushed four times for 132 yards and two touchdowns in the first quarter. Quarterback Steve Taylor also scored twice and gained 103 yards on two carries.

Clark finished the game with a career-high 256 yards rushing on 27 attempts and scored three touchdowns. Only Nebraska Heisman Trophy winner Mike Rozier's 285-yard performance against Kansas in 1983 ranked higher for a single-game rushing total.

Taylor finished with three touchdowns and 140 yards rushing on 11 carries. He completed 6 of 11 passes for 92 yards and two touchdowns, both to tight end Todd Millikan.

Taylor also threw one interception.

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Nebraska I-back Ken Clark runs away from Oklahoma State's Rod Smith (45), Devin Jones (81) and Brandon Colbert (91) on his way to the end zone on the Cornhuskers' first offensive play of the game. The run covered 73 yards, and Clark finished the game with 256 total yards during Nebraska's 63-42 win against the Cowboys.

## McBride says concentration level hurts NU

By Nick Hodge  
Staff Reporter

Nebraska defensive coordinator Charlie McBride said Sunday that the Cornhusker defense played well early in their 63-42 victory against Oklahoma State Saturday at Memorial Stadium, but lost intensity and poise as the game progressed.

McBride said the Nebraska defense lost its intensity after the Huskers built a 42-0 lead with 11:42 remaining in the first half.

"They lose the edge, they aren't as geared up as they were, and the fans were really in it at the beginning of the game and that really helped us out a lot," McBride said.

McBride said he talked to the defense at halftime about playing a complete game and not letting up. He said Oklahoma State's 21-14 advantage in the final two quarters indicated that the Husker defense didn't play well in the second half.

"As the game went along, I got a

little disturbed," McBride said.

McBride said he thought the Huskers' offense played as consistent a game as it had all year. He said the quick offensive scoring made it difficult for the defense to stay intense.

McBride said the number of personal foul penalties upset him, especially one that occurred just before the end of the first half.

The play McBride referred to occurred when Oklahoma State had a third down and four play at the Cowboy 26-yard line with less than 30

seconds remaining in the first half.

Cowboy quarterback Mike Gundy fumbled the snap from center and had to fall on it behind the line of scrimmage. Two Nebraska defensive players jumped on top of Gundy and were called for a roughing penalty.

The penalty gave the Cowboys a first down. Three plays later, Gundy hit split end Hart Lee Dykes for a 12-yard touchdown pass with three seconds left in the first half, cutting the lead to 49-21.

"That play really hurt us,"

McBride said.

McBride said the "uncalled-for penalties" demonstrated how a lack of poise can hurt a team.

"You've got to learn to control yourself in big games or you'll beat yourself," McBride said.

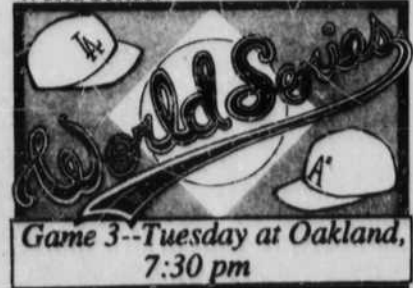
McBride said Cowboy tailback Barry Sanders is a great athlete.

"Sanders has as much running ability as I've seen," McBride said. "He can change direction, has great balance and has the instincts. He gets up to full speed in two steps."

## Home-team edge; Dodgers win 6-0

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Orel Hershiser did it all, holding Oakland's big batters to three hits and getting three himself Sunday night as the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Athletics 6-0 and took a stunning 2-0 lead in the World Series.

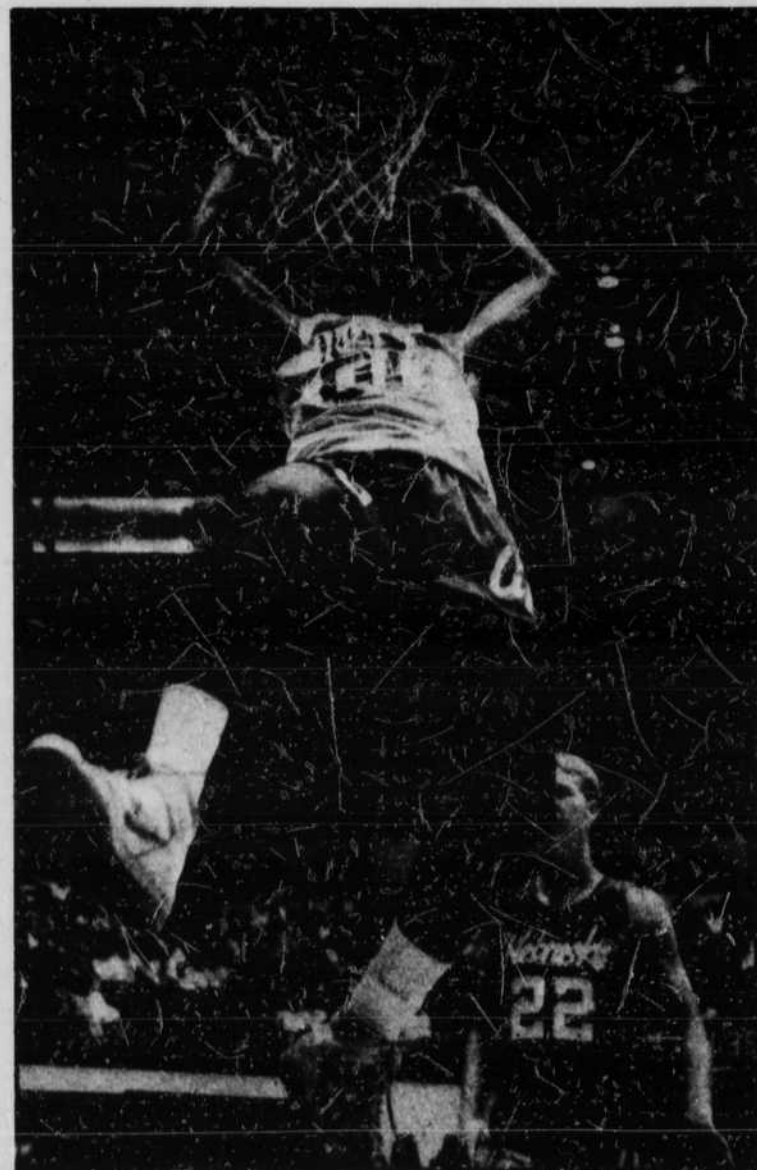
Hershiser's super season, which ended with a record 59 consecutive shutout innings, got even better with his most incredible performance of the year. He became the first pitcher to get three hits - including two doubles - in a World Series game since 1924 and the first ever to throw shutouts in both the playoffs and the World Series.



The Dodger Bulldog, who has worked almost half his team's innings in the postseason, now has allowed just three earned runs in his last 92 innings.

Mike Marshall contributed a three-run homer and a triple as the Dodgers again did everything right against the heavily favored Athletics. This time, Los Angeles didn't need miracle man Kirk Gibson, who won Game 1 with a two-out, two-run homer in the bottom of the ninth but did not play Sunday because of hamstring and ligament damage.

The victory marked the 12th consecutive game the home team has won in the World Series. But the Dodgers didn't require the home-field advantage; they had Hershiser.



Ward Williams/Daily Nebraskan

Nebraska forward Dapreis Owens, a 6-foot-9 freshman from Mansfield, Ohio, looks for a place to land after finishing a slam dunk during the Cornhuskers' first Moonlight Basketball game early Saturday morning at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. Owens' White team lost to the Reds 88-44.

## NU basketball gets fast start

By Nick Hodge  
Staff Reporter

It was a Saturday in Lincoln, there were Big Red fans, there was anticipation, there were chants of "Go Big Red," but it wasn't a football game at Memorial Stadium — it was basketball at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

At 12:01 a.m., Nebraska men's basketball coach Danny Nee opened the Cornhuskers' season with the introduction of this year's team and a 30-minute scrimmage before 5,072 fans at the first Moonlight Basketball. A game involving former Husker players preceded the tip-off of the 1988-89 season.

**'There's great fan support, great booster support, the alumni coming back — it was fun.'**

— Nee

Saturday was the first day National Collegiate Athletic Association rules allowed college basketball practice to begin and the Huskers didn't waste a minute... literally. At midnight, the overhead lights were shut off and the scoreboard clock was set at a minute. The fans watched each second tick away. When time ran down to 10 seconds, the crowd began the count down.

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## NU downs OU in 'messy' game

By Jeff Apel  
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A fine-tuned machine suffered some mechanical breakdowns Saturday night, but recovered in time to post a crucial victory that kept it in contention for its 12th consecutive Big Eight championship.

The Nebraska volleyball team, which had raced to a 14-3 record overall and a 3-1 mark in the Big Eight behind consistent play which dominated opponents, overcame 21 service errors and a blown second game en route to a 15-9, 14-16, 15-4, 11-15, 15-13 victory against Oklahoma at the NU Coliseum. The win left the Cornhuskers tied with Oklahoma in the Big Eight standings. Both teams are 4-1.

Nebraska volleyball coach Terry Pettit said he was pleased with the win even though it wasn't pretty. He said he hopes the Huskers can draw from it because they battled adverse conditions before 4,328 fans — a Coliseum record.

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