

# Beavers' performance disappoints coach

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Oregon State football coach Dave Kragthorpe was not satisfied with the performance his Beavers displayed Saturday against Nebraska.

Kragthorpe said after Oregon State's 35-7 loss to Nebraska Saturday at Memorial Stadium that he was disappointed because the Beavers are a better team than they showed.

"I'm not discrediting Nebraska, but we did not play to our full potential," Kragthorpe said.

Oregon State held Nebraska to 136 yards of total offense in the first half and to only two touchdowns.

"We had a good game plan, and our guys were doing a good job on defense," Kragthorpe said. "When I refer to the first half, I refer to the dumb plays we had offensively. But our defense did a good job in the first half."

Kragthorpe said he was not as pleased with the offense's performance, mainly because the Beavers did not take advantage of the opportunities they faced.

"We didn't get done what we needed to get done," Kragthorpe said. "We played one of the top teams in the nation, we should've given a better effort."

Kragthorpe said he felt the game was there to be won. He said Oregon State controlled the tempo in the third quarter but could not score any points.

"I think the game was ours to be had until they scored to make it 28-7," Kragthorpe said.

Oregon State quarterback Nick Schichtle completed 18 passes for 269 yards. Nebraska sacked Schichtle 11 times for a total loss of 89 yards.

Kragthorpe said the sacks were a result of breakdowns in the Oregon State offensive line.

"Schichtle has seen this much pressure before... but today the pass coverage was inconsistent," he said. "A couple of guys who would get beat were inclined to get beat again."

Kragthorpe said he was disappointed because Oregon State could not move the football on a consistent basis. He said the Beavers moved the ball better in the second half even

though they had trouble punching it in the end zone.

"I don't think Nebraska did anything that wasn't expected or without warning," Kragthorpe said. "Sometimes we blocked real well and sometimes in streaks of three and four plays we were terrible."

"I was disappointed that we couldn't move the ball better. We were not getting enough yards on the ground on first down."

Oregon State tallied its lone touchdown when fullback Pat Chaffey scored from the two with 2:10 left in the third quarter.

The Beavers started the drive at their own 25 yard line. Schichtle passed for 83 yards to set up Chaffey's score.

# Trainer keeps busy due to injured players

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There is a first time for everything, and for Nebraska volleyball trainer Therese Volmer that has been a busy time.

Volmer's position is her first training job after being certified this summer.

It is also her first training experience with volleyball, after working as student trainer with the football and basketball programs at South Dakota State.

"It's the first time I've actually been on my own," Volmer said. "I'd never been around (volleyball) at all."

Volmer has kept busy, as five of

the 12 players on Nebraska's roster have been sidelined at one time or another.

One player -- Linda Barness -- is out for the season with a knee injury.

Nebraska coach Terry Pettit, who is in his 13th year, said the injury situation is the worst it ever has been. He praised the performance of Volmer.

"She's done a nice job," Pettit said.

Volmer, who is a graduate student, said she chose to come to Nebraska to gain experience and work with volleyball.

"I want to get my master's so I have the opportunity to work in a university setting," she said. "The main reason I came here was to gain more experience in training and the chance to be on my own."

While she is on her own, Volmer said she still has people she can fall back on to help her with decisions.

"I'm still the trainer for volleyball," she said, "but I still have to report to the head women's trainer and head men's trainer."

Two of Nebraska's most notable injured players this season have been senior All-America selection Virginia Stahr and sophomore Cris Hall.

Stahr has been slowed by pain in her right shoulder, which she had surgery on last spring. Hall has been hampered by back spasms.

Volmer said with those two players, doctors determine if they are capable of playing, but "on the other girls I have the decision."

"And if I don't feel like I can make it (the decision) I go back to my supervisor to decide whether or not they can practice," she said.

Stahr works directly with the doctor who did the surgery.

"She works completely with him and just relays to us how she feels," Volmer said. "Hers is a very differ-

ent situation. The training staff doesn't have a lot of control over her. It's what she feels like she can do. She pushes herself to a point and then she backs off, because her shoulder isn't 100 percent yet.

"She's just going to have to be careful that she doesn't overdo it and that she should play throughout the year."

Volmer said back problems, which also sidelined freshman Eileen Shannon for one match, are more unpredictable.

"There is no set answer," she said. "Backs are definitely the hardest thing to evaluate. There are so many problems that can happen."

Hall's spasms can happen at any time, Volmer said.

Besides trainers, a back specialist, physical therapist and orthopedic surgeon have done treatment on Hall, Volmer said.

"They've all just basically told her rest and treatment," she said.

"She's going to have pain and she'll just have to play up to her pain tolerance and then she'll have to sit out and rest."

Volmer said she sometimes has the role of an optimist with players that are injured.

"You try to keep their spirits up," she said. "They want to play all the time and they really don't understand the injuries a lot of times."

"I think they're getting better. They understand they have to sit out before they can get better."

Volmer said most of the injuries are attributed to year-round competition.

"A lot of the girls played so much throughout the summer that they never gave their bodies time to heal," she said.

The Huskers' most recent injury has been a shoulder injury to sophomore Sara Hesch. Hesch had arthroscopic surgery Thursday and will be out for two to four weeks.

# Cornhuskers capture No. 1 doubles title

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Nebraska tennis player Nancy Tyggum had a weekend to write home about, but her audience already was present.

With her parents, brother and fiancée watching, Tyggum teamed with Rachel Collins to win the No. 1 doubles title and placed second in No. 3 singles at this weekend's Husker Invitational.

The pressure of having her family come down from Milwaukee caused problems at first, the youngest Tyggum said.

"I had to play a girl from Wichita State (in the first round of singles)," she said. "I thought it would be so easy because they are one of the weaker teams in the tournament. But I was so nervous!"

Tyggum struggled in the first set of the match Friday against Wichita State's Karen Theck, winning 7-5.

But after the rough start, Tyggum took control. She won the second set 6-0, then defeated Anna Ovnik of Minnesota, 6-2, 6-3.

Friday night she and Collins took apart Minnesota's team in the first round of the doubles, 6-0, 6-3.

Saturday morning Tyggum met Josune Varnum of Arkansas in the finals of No. 3 singles. Varnum won the first set in a tiebreaker and took the second set 6-3.

Tyggum and Collins struggled in the semifinals against Wichita State's top team, but they won, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3. Soon afterward the two Cornhuskers faced Arkansas' No. 1 team.

With the help of numerous shots that grazed the tape and fell just over the net, the Razorbacks won the first four games of the first set.

Tyggum said she was exhausted at the start of the match, her sixth in less than 36 hours.

"I said, 'Just get me out of here,'" she said.

But the Huskers came back to

make the first set close, losing 6-4. The second set was a 6-0 Nebraska romp.

The final set was an exhibition of power tennis. Instead of a baseline marathon, with players waiting for someone to make a mistake, both sides shot winner after winner at each other.

"You just have to raise your game against a team like that," Tyggum said. "If you don't, you'll get killed."

Nebraska got one break in the third set. In the final game, Tyggum lunged toward the middle and bent one last backhand volley within a foot of the sideline. On the ball's second bounce, the Huskers won the game and the third set, 6-3. The two-hour match gave Tyggum some revenge on Varnum, who formed half of Arkansas' doubles pair.

That was only the fourth match together for Tyggum and Collins. Tyggum teamed with fellow Wisconsin native Doneta Holmen for six years, and last year they finished third in the Big Eight at No. 1 doubles. At the end of the year they were ranked 33rd in the country.

Holmen, though, left Nebraska after her junior year to get married. She now is playing for Wisconsin, and Tyggum had to find a new partner.

Tyggum said she thought patience would be her most valuable asset entering the year. Though only a junior, she is co-captain and has seniority on the squad. She said she expected each match to be a trial as she worked with a new partner.

However, she said her early success with Collins, a sophomore, has her excited for the new season.

"It's incredible," she said after the doubles final. "It feels like we just won the Big Eight's."

Both players said they complement each other well. Tyggum is small and relies on quick feet and quick hands. Collins complements

her 5-11 frame with a serve-and-volley style that is suited for doubles.

Collins said she likes playing with her new, more experienced partner.

"If I hit a good shot, it's nice having a partner who can take advantage of it," she said.

The victory at No. 1 doubles was only part of a great tournament for the Huskers, Nebraska coach Gregg Calvin said.

"We hoped two or three individuals or teams would get to finals," he said. "We got four."

Freshman Tina Coutretsis won No. 6 singles and Ildiko Guba and Ann Flannery won No. 2 doubles, but Calvin refused to single them out for praise.

"Eight for eight, everybody was really good," he said.

Nebraska compiled a combined 21-14 record over the weekend. Collins finished third at No. 4 singles. Meghan Quinn placed fourth at No. 5 and Claudia Gandini finished sixth at No. 7. Walk-on Abbie Young made her Husker debut and split two matches at No. 8 singles.

Guba and Flannery, playing No. 1 and No. 2 singles, each lost in the first round but bounced back to win the consolation bracket and finish fifth.

Calvin said he was pleased with his doubles teams and with the play of his returnees.

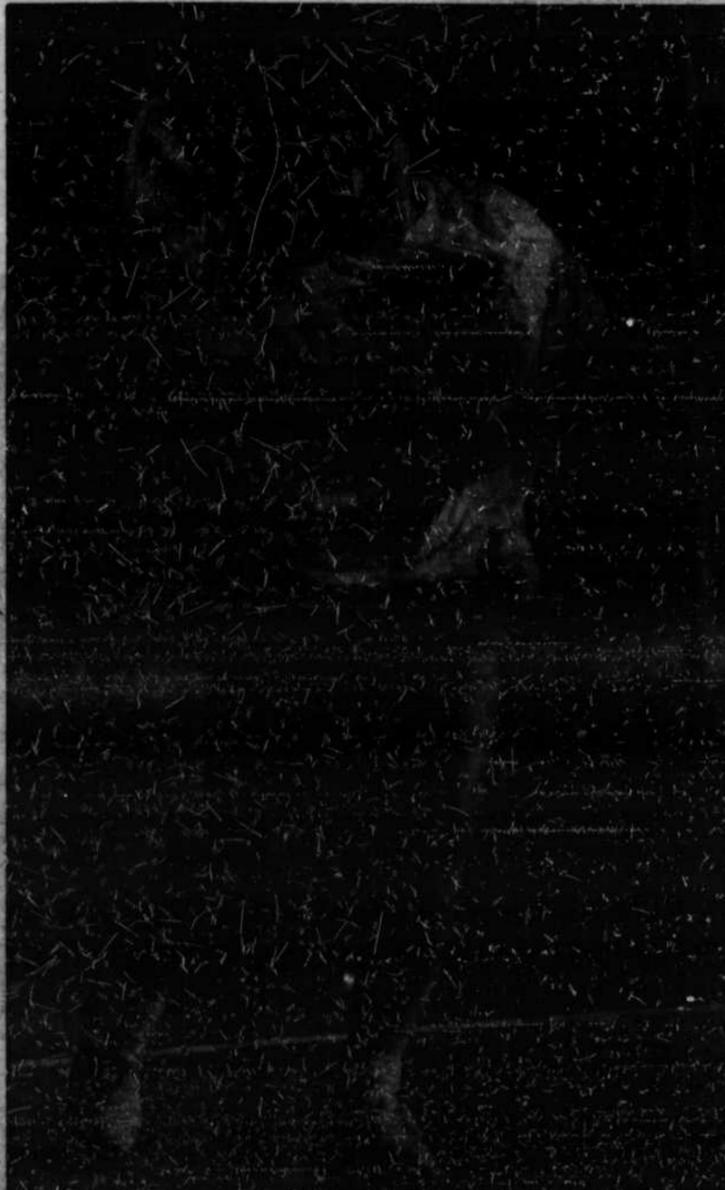
"The kids that have come back are all playing as good or better than they were at the end of last season," he said. "That's really encouraging as a coach."

The weather also pleased the Tyggum entourage.

"We are having a wonderful time," Donna Tyggum said, "with one exception."

Yes, the guests from Milwaukee got the standard UNL welcome: Even after receiving a special permit, their car was towed away.

Well, at least they got to see Nancy and company have one great weekend.



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Nebraska's Ildiko Guba