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Volleyball team to face Cyclones

By John Adkisson Staff Reporter

Iowa State is catching the Nebraska volleyball team on the way out of town.

The Cyclones visit Nebraska, 14-1 and ranked No. 1 nationally, today in a 7:30 p.m. contest at the NU Coliseum. The match comes just before the Cornhuskers depart for a tournament in Palo Alto, Calif., on Wednesday. The Huskers head to the West Coast to play No. 14 Brigham Young Thursday, and No. 6 Stanford and Saint Mary's Friday in the Stanford Invitational.

Despite this week's crowded schedule, Coach Terry Pettit said Nebraska won't be looking ahead.

"Tradition says we don't look past teams," Pettit said. "We won't overlook Iowa State.'

The Cyclones are 11-6 overall, and 3-1 in the Big Eight. Iowa State features this week's Big Eight player of the week in outside hitter Tracy Graham. For the season, Graham has

and owns a 2.79 kills-per-game aver-Pettit said that Graham is an ex-

ceptional player. We saw her last year," he said. She makes them extremely strong at left-side hitter.

Last year, the cyclones were the only Big eight team to take Nebraska to five games, and were only one of five teams to do it all season.

Pettit said that although he hasn't seen any films of the Cyclones, Iowa State could be just as tough this year.

'I know they return four starters,' Pettit said. "And they played us extremely well twice last year.'

Nebraska and Iowa State have played two common opponents this season, Kansas and the University of Nebraska at Omaha. Both teams beat Kansas, but Iowa State lost to UNO. Nebraska swept the Mavericks in the first match of the season.

Pettit said Iowa State's loss to UNO is misleading.

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UNL students free with student ID.

more, Pettit said.

"It gives us a little bigger look with Linda on the floor," Pettit said. "And Linda's responded very well to

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Joseph to start at quarterback against Missouri

From Staff Reports

Nebraska will have a new starter at quarterback Saturday against Missouri.

Mickey Joseph will be the starter, Nebraska coach Tom Osborne said Monday. Joseph was more consistent than Mike Grant, who started last week against Kansas State, Osborne said.

The Cornhuskers returned to practice Monday with some injuries brought back from Kansas State.

Tight end William Washington injured his leg on the third play of Saturday's game and missed Monday's full-pad practice. Osborne said Washington was able to walk with crutches, but is highly doubtful for Saturday.

Right tackle Steve Engstrom also missed practice with a sore ankle, and right guard Erik Wiegert missed the work-out and may have jammed his neck against Kansas State, Osborne said. Will Shields, who played against the Wildcats despite being sick, practiced Monday.

recorded a team-leading 170 kills, said. "And you've got to remember outside hitter Linda Barsness to play Nebraska coaches express concern about emergence of Missouri team

By Todd Cooper Staff Reporter

Nebraska coaches expressed concern Monday with Missouri's impressive showing against Colorado this weekend while, at the same time, questioned the validity of Colorado's win over the Tigers.

The fiasco - in which Colorado took five downs to beat Missouri in the game's closing seconds — was termed a "half-win" for the Tigers by Cornhusker graduate assistant coach Bill Kucera who was at Faurot Field scouting the Tigers.

"It was quite a deal," Kucera said at Monday's Extra Point Club lunch-

He said Tiger fans flooded the field after the game and the Missouri



players were brought back out of the locker room and they tore down one goal post.

That was kind of symbolic, it was kind of half-a-victory and hence the one goalpost went down," Kucera said. "But Missouri is for real. They played a whale of a game." Nebraska will face Missouri Sat-

urday at Memorial Stadium

Charlie McBride, Nebraska's defensive coordinator, noted that they key to Missouri's success is a balanced attack. Led by quarterback Kent Kiefer and wide receiver Damon Mays, Missouri has the weapons for an effective passing game, McBride said.

"They don't strictly depend on their throwing game, although that, of course, is the major part of their of-fense," McBride said. "They use their running game enough to where you aren't definite on whether to put your dime defense in or your regular defense.

He said Kiefer is not afraid to air it out and go for the bomb.

"Probably the scariest part of what I saw on film was that they're going to go deep with it," McBride said.

right away and go deep with it. "And that's what I'll be dreaming about this week."

He may be dreaming about meth-ods to get around Missouri's huge offensive linemen.

"Physically, they may be the big-gest team we'll see all year," he said. "Right now we're in the process of studying their blocking protection schemes

He said they have a 6-foot, 10inch, 312-pound tackle in Russ McCullough, and the rest of the offensive linemen are in the 280- to 290-pound range. He said the offensive line's splits are about three inches apart.

"You have trouble running a lot of the different stunts, and things we've done in the past couple of weeks to get pressure on the quarterback," AcBride said.

Nebraska's offense has experienced problems getting started the last two games, while the defense, for the most part, has maintained its intensity level through four quarters.

"Maybe it's the emotional part of it," McBride said, referring to the offense's early sputtering. "I think

Sims' tackles, sacks contribute to NU's taming of Wildcats

By Paul Domeier Senior Reporter

Joe Sims won the fifth heat in the Race to the Quarterback.

Sims, the starting left defensive tackle for Nebraska, had eight tackles and three quarterback sacks Saturday as the 5-0 Cornhuskers beat Kansas State 45-8. That doubled the season tackle total for the senior from Sudbury, Mass. And with those sacks — his first

of the season - he's back in contention for a goal he said he and middle guard Pat Engelbert have set: Beat Kenny Walker in sacks. For Sims, 6-foot-3 and 280

ounds, that isn't the easiest job. For one thing, he missed the second heat of the competition - the Northern Illinois game — because of an injured knee.

Secondly, the 240-pound Walker and 250-pound Engelbert are known for their quickness and pass rushing ability.

Sims for some early pressure. He sacked quarterback Paul Watson for a two-yard loss on Kansas State's first play. He stopped the Wildcats with consecutive six-yard sacks on Kansas State's next drive.

Walker, the right tackle, took part in two sacks, giving him six for the season. Engelbert has three sacks but was shut out Saturday.

Not only have Walker and Engelbert been winning the Race to the Quarterback, they've also been winning the Race for Public-

But after Saturday, Sims is leading all other defensive linemen in interceptions. He snared the first pass of his career in the third quarter. Outside linebacker Travis Hill pressured Wildcat quarterback Carl Straw and batted the pass straight up into the air.

The ball fell right to Sims.

"I was amazed. I almost forgot what to do," said Sims, an all-state split end in high school. "I just

"UNO is a pretty good team," Pettit middle blocker — has allowed senior

anything can happen early in the year."

A change in the Nebraska offense



☆ Nebraska volleyball ☆

Today at 7:30 p.m. at NU Coliseum Nebraska leads series 34-0

Iowa State

(11-6)

#1 Nebraska

(14-1)

Liz Bell Lisa Burke Dana Frerker Tracy Graham Kari Mitchell **Janice Ninemire**

"Colorado got beat twice - I mean defensively it's easier to maintain the he (Mays) flat-out just ran by people. emotional level.

"But I think this week they won't I would guess the first play of the game they may try to shake you up be in that mode.

Big Eight appeal not applicable to NCAA rules; Colorado-Missouri outcome stands

From Staff Reports

The Big Eight Conference, following review of procedures used by game officials, determined Monday that the final score in the Colorado-Missouri football game will remain

as posted. John A. McClintock, Big Eight Supervisor of Football Officials, reviewed the situation in regard to the fifth down play that Colorado scored on the last play of the game to beat Missouri 33-31 Saturday, and stated that the allowance of a fifth down is not a post-game correctable error.

Big Eight Commissioner Carl James announced that the officials who worked the game, including Scott Koch of York, Willie Weisbrook and Frank Gaines of Lincoln and Paul Brown of Omaha, had been given an immediate suspension for an indefinite period.

James added that the question of an appeal of the Big Eight Confer-

ence rules to allow a change in the officials' error is not applicable to the administration of the NCAA football playing rules. As members of the NCAA, conference schools agree to conduct football games by the national rules. Those regulations state that the game referee is the sole authority for the proper score.

J.C. Louderback, who was the referee and crew chief for the game, praised Missouri and Colorado for their handling of the situation.

"Through the entire episode, the coaches and players were very professional," Louderback said. "In officiating, you work the game for the players. . .

'It's always a tough feeling when a rule, or an error in a rule becomes a factor in the game. We (the officials) are human. We erred. And, we feel terrible in regards to the circumstances at the end of the game.'

Sims is known for his size. He peaked out at about 305 pounds last year, he said. This season, he has kept his weight down. He said he would like to lose another five pounds

Against Kansas State, a couple "I can't run with the ball yet," of new pass rushing stunts freed Sims said. "Maybe next week."

grabbed the ball and ran with it."

Sims was pulled down at the Kansas State 31-yard line, seven yards away from where he caught the ball. Nebraska scored two plays later.

Nebraska sophomore wingback voted offensive player of week

From Staff Reports

Nebraska sophomore wingback Tyrone Hughes was unanimously voted the Big Eight Offensive Player of the Week, it was announced Monday. Hughes tied an NCAA Division I-

A record with 247 punt and kickoff return yards in the Cornhuskers' 45-8 win over Kansas State Saturday. He tied the record set by Brigham Young's Golden Richards against North Texas State in 1971

Hughes had three kickoffs for 153 yards, including a 99-yard touchdown return. It was the longest return for the Huskers since 1949. The 153 kickoff return yards also broke a Ne-braska single game record of 140

yards by Bob Smith in 1951.

He also added 94 yards in punt returns on five attempts. His longest was 66 yards.

Hughes ranks second nationally in kickoff returns at 37.38 yards a carry.

In a split vote, Missouri defensive back Harry Colon was named the defensive player of the week over Husker defensive tackle Joe Sims, who had eight tackles, a career high three sacks, an interception and two quarterback hurries.

Colon leads Missouri, Nebraska's opponent Saturday at Memorial Stadium, with 59 total tackles --- seven of which were for losses. Colon had seven unassisted tackles against Colorado on Saturday.