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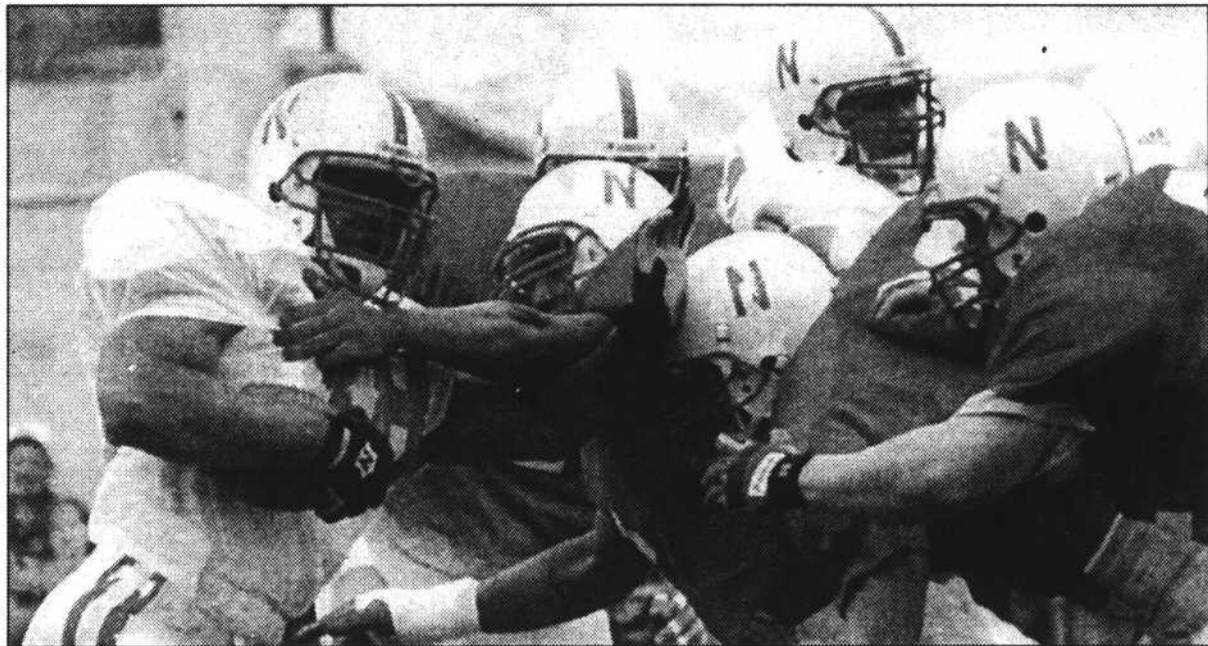
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**DAN ALEXANDER** is stacked up by three Husker defenders in Saturday's Red-White game. Alexander scored two touchdowns and rushed for 89 yards in his first spring game. MIKE WARREN/DN

# Alexander rocks defense

**Redshirt freshman plays I-back and fullback for NU.**

By **GREGG MADSEN**  
Staff Reporter

Dan Alexander needs to change his name.

Alexander, a 6-foot-1, 249-pound redshirt freshman, has become one of the most feared runners in the Cornhusker backfield after a successful spring football campaign.

Taking snaps at both fullback and I-back in Saturday's Red-White Game, Alexander ran over and around Nebraska defenders nine times for 89 yards and two touchdowns, dazzling the crowd and making his new namesake a must.

Just call him Diesel Alexander. "He's like a diesel engine really," cornerback Ralph Brown said. "He's a really good guy running the ball. Every time we go after him, we try to gang tackle him because usually we can't tackle him one on one. He's that good."

Brown didn't have to deal with Alexander in the spring game — both were on the White squad — but he said

he had seen enough and been hit enough during the 14 other spring practices to know that Alexander is a legitimate running threat.

After a slow start in the first half Saturday, the 42,018 fans at Memorial Stadium also found out Alexander is a legitimate threat by watching several bullish, take-no-prisoner runs that dazed NU defenders.

Alexander said he wasn't expecting his second-half performance.

"I think in the first half I was really nervous in there," Alexander said. "I was ready to leave. I was doing so bad."

His nerves settled down quickly in the third quarter when he broke through a mass of Red Team defenders and rambled downfield for 29 yards. He later scored on the same drive with a powerful 1-yard plunge up the middle.

But the Diesel was just warming up. With 9:09 left in the game, Alexander burst through a gaping hole in the left side of the line and sprinted 27 yards to the end zone, cutting the Red Teams' lead to 31-21.

"I saw a cornerback and that was about it," he said of the run. "The linemen did a great job. I think that was about the biggest hole I've seen all year."

Alexander went untouched on his

27-yard touchdown jaunt, which didn't come as a surprise to quarterback Scott Frost.

"When he gets into the secondary, people can't tackle him," Frost said. "And people don't want to tackle him."

Since coming to NU last fall, Alexander has gained 10 pounds of muscle and improved in each strength-testing category. He has also cut his 40-yard dash time from 4.68 seconds to 4.52.

His improvements made him the first freshman in school history to earn the lifter-of-the-year honor from his Husker teammates.

"It was a very big surprise," Alexander said. "I didn't think anyone would vote for me. In fact, I didn't even vote for myself."

Alexander said weight training hadn't been a priority at Wentzville High School in Wentzville, Mo. But now, lifting has helped him become a contender for playing time in the Nebraska backfield this fall.

NU Coach Tom Osborne said Alexander might be better suited to play the I-back position. But for Alexander, either position will be fine.

"I don't have a preference either way," Alexander said. "I like both positions."

# NU happy with way spring ends

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under a whole lot of heat." Frost finished the day 7 of 27 for 109 yards, and five NU quarterbacks completed just 16 of 47 passes. But Osborne left the final practice of his 25th spring as NU's head man pleased with the offensive and defensive improvement this month.

"We shouldn't see a whole lot better people on both sides of the ball than we saw today," he said. "We were anxious to see how they reacted under those circumstances."

Shevin Wiggins delighted the crowd less than three minutes into the game when he returned a Jesse Kosch punt 79 yards to put the White Team up 7-0. I-back Ahman Green — who led all rushers with 96 yards on 12 attempts — answered two plays later, taking a Frost pitch 67 yards down the east sideline.

"I just blinked my eye and he was by us," rush end Grant Wistrom said of Green's run, which set up a 2-yard Frost dive that tied the game at seven.

The Red Team moved ahead for good with 14:14 to play in the first half on an 11-play, 64-yard drive capped by a 5-yard Frost run. Quarterback Monte Christo then added a 4-yard touchdown run, and reserve fullback Jeremy Stanislav scored from six yards out midway through the second quarter. Kris Brown hit a 33-yard field goal in the last minute of the first half to give the Red Team a 31-7 lead.

"I was really happy today compared to the first three scrimmages," Frost said. "We really took the challenge today and stepped and competed with the

| Game Day          |             | White Team | 28  |
|-------------------|-------------|------------|-----|
|                   |             | Red Team   | 34  |
| <b>Red Team</b>   |             |            |     |
| <b>Rushing</b>    |             |            |     |
| Player            | Att.        | Yds.       | TDs |
| 30 Ahman Green    | 12          | 96         | 0   |
| 7 Scott Frost     | 18          | 31         | 2   |
| <b>Receiving</b>  |             |            |     |
| Player            | Rec.        | Yds.       | TDs |
| 14 Lance Brown    | 4           | 38         | 0   |
| 89 Jeff Lake      | 2           | 31         | 0   |
| <b>Passing</b>    |             |            |     |
| Player            | Att/Cmp/Int | Yds        | TDs |
| 7 Scott Frost     | 27/7/0      | 109        | 0   |
| 8 Jeff Perino     | 2/1/0       | 16         | 0   |
| <b>White Team</b> |             |            |     |
| <b>Rushing</b>    |             |            |     |
| Player            | Att.        | Yds.       | TDs |
| 38 Dan Alexander  | 9           | 89         | 1   |
| 31 Willie Miller  | 8           | 33         | 0   |
| <b>Receiving</b>  |             |            |     |
| Player            | Rec.        | Yds.       | TDs |
| 80 Billy Haafke   | 2           | 13         | 0   |
| 86 Dorrick Roy    | 1           | 50         | 0   |
| <b>Passing</b>    |             |            |     |
| Player            | Att/Cmp/Int | Yds        | TDs |
| 1 Frankie London  | 6/4/0       | 46         | 0   |
| 9 Monte Christo   | 5/1/0       | 10         | 0   |

defense.

"I think if you went back and looked at the tape of last year's spring game, this year would be a lot more impressive on both sides of the ball."

The Red Team gained 252 yards in the first half and held the White Team to minus-1 yards in the first two quarters, but Frankie London and Dan Alexander ignited a third-quarter rally that nearly led the White Team back.

The sophomore duo directed a 6-minute, 54-second, 16-play, 80-yard drive shortly after halftime. A 29-yard Alexander rumble through five defenders highlighted the possession, and the 6-foot-1, 240-pound speedster then scored on a 1-yard plunge. London completed a pass to Billy Haafke in the back of the end zone for the two-point conversion to cut the Red Team's lead

to 31-15.

On the next White Team possession, London hit Travis Antholz for 23 yards, and Alexander scored from 27 yards out, chopping the lead to 31-21. London finished 4 of 6 for 46 yards, and Alexander carried the ball nine times for 89 yards and two touchdowns.

After a 24-yard Brown field goal, reserve quarterback Jay Runty scored on a 1-yard run with 5:32 to play, but the White Team couldn't capitalize on its final possession, giving the ball up on downs near midfield with less than one minute remaining in the game.

"I told them that this was going to be just like we're going out and playing Colorado, or just like we're playing Washington," Osborne said. "And it went about as well as I could have hoped."

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