

# THE YEAR IN SPORTS

Daily  
Nebraskan  
retrospective

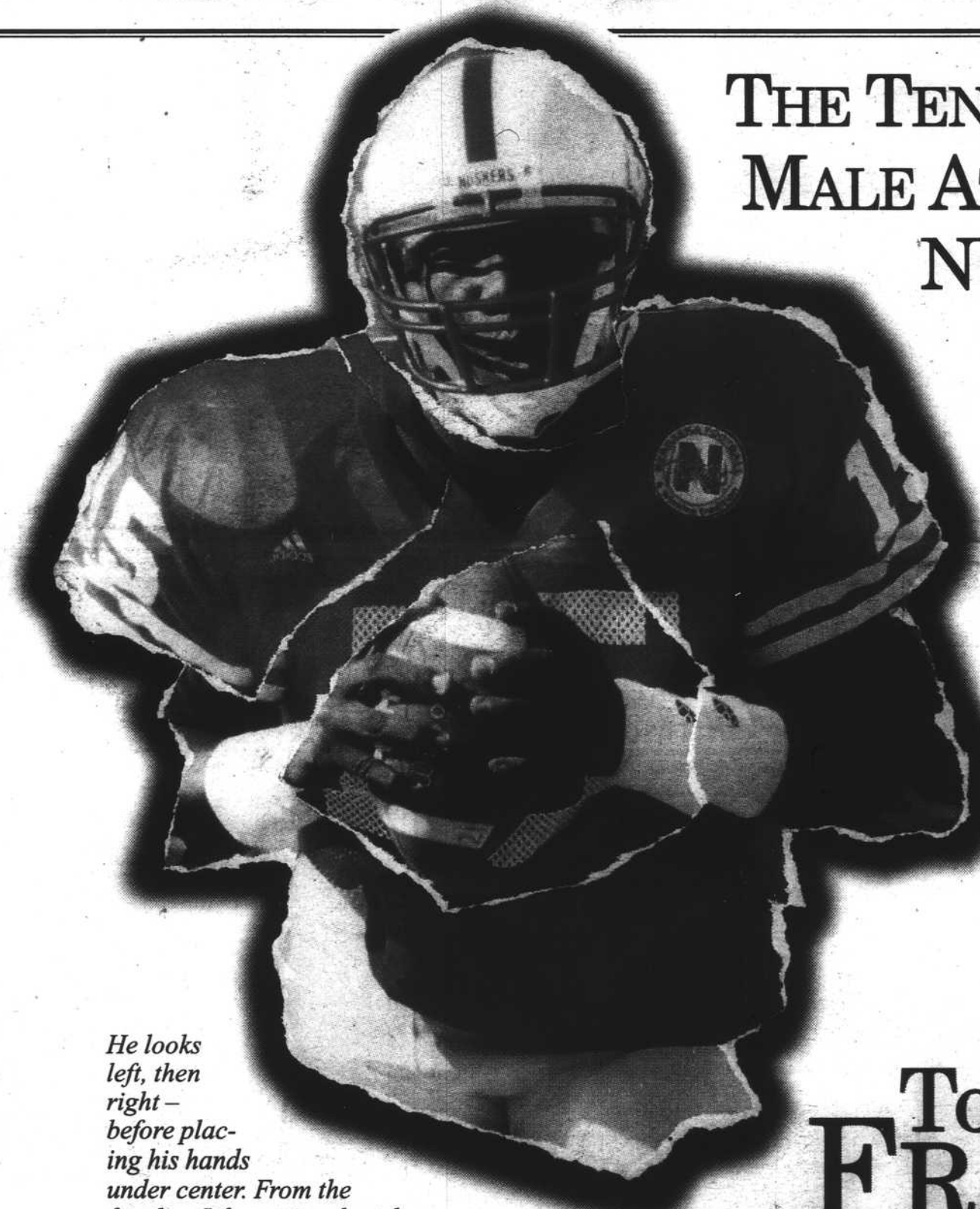
TUESDAY, MAY 4, 1999

VOL. 98 No. 1512

## PLUS...

1900 1901  
1902 1903  
1904 1905  
1906 1907  
1908 1909  
1910 1911  
1912 1913  
1914 1915  
1916 1917  
1918 1919  
1920 1921  
1922 1923  
1924 1925  
1926 1927  
1928 1929  
1930 1931  
1932 1933  
1934 1935  
1936 1937  
1938 1939  
1940 1941  
1942 1943  
1944 1945  
1946 1947  
1948 1949  
1950 1951  
1952 1953  
1954 1955  
1956 1957  
1958 1959  
1960 1961  
1962 1963  
1964 1965  
1966 1967  
1968 1969  
1970 1971  
1972 1973  
1974 1975  
1976 1977  
1978 1979  
1980 1981  
1982 1983  
1984 1985  
1986 1987  
1988 1989  
1990 1991  
1992 1993  
1994 1995  
1996 1997  
1998 1999

Daily Nebraskan  
SPORTS CENTURY



## THE TEN GREATEST MALE ATHLETES IN NU HISTORY



# #1 Tommie FRAZIER

*He looks left, then right – before placing his hands under center. From the familiar I-formation, he takes the snap, spins 270 degrees to the left and fakes a handoff to the fullback. By this time, a Florida lineman has already broken into the backfield. It could be over very quickly. The lineman dives and grabs the bottom of the quarterback's jersey with his right hand. Without even acknowledging the effort, however, the quarterback continues to run the option to the right. From just underneath the second white digit on the red mesh jersey, the lineman's hand slips. As the '5' snaps back into place, the first would-be tackler falls to the grass and No. 15 is on his way.*

It didn't always come easy, but success seemed to follow Tommie Frazier.

A consummate winner from his freshman to senior season, his resume includes two national championships, a school-record 5,476 yards of total offense and a 33-3 record as a starting quarterback.

Nearly flawless his senior year, Frazier mastered the offense. He ran the option like no other. He was a big-play engineer. And most importantly, he won games.

But through all the success, there are plays he'd like to forget. Like his first play from scrimmage, which Frazier still remembers vividly.

As a true freshman in 1992, he entered Nebraska's season opener with a comfort-

able lead. His first play: option right. Frazier went left. "That's something you don't want to look back on," Frazier said. "I went the wrong way. But I look at it as a positive because it shows me how much I improved from the very first snap I took."

For bios of the remaining athletes of the century, please turn to page 16.

Please see **FRAZIER** on 10

Frazier bio by DAVID WILSON  
Additional bios by SAM MCKEWON, ADAM KLINKER and JOHN GASKINS