

## Red-White game ends in a deadlock

■ Spring game concludes practice season and gives Huskers last chance to show off talent.

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Chilly and windy conditions kept many fans away from Nebraska's annual Red-White spring game.

And at halftime, the 22,415 that braved the conditions might have been wishing they had stayed home.

The score was 7-0 in favor of the Red team, which was made up of the No. 1 offense and the No. 2 defense. The teams had combined for only 120 yards of offense, and the lone touchdown was scored by third team quarterback Kelly Cook on a

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one-yard quarterback sneak. And the No. 1 offense hadn't gained a single first down by the end of the half.

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NU head coach

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During half-time, those fans not suffering from hypothermia likely weren't entertaining warm thoughts of 30 more minutes of spring football.

Luckily for them, the hitting and scoring picked up in the second half, as 35 points were scored in the final half to forge a 21-21 tie, the first since 1950. The White squad, consisting of the No. 1 defense and the No. 2 offense, rallied for two fourth-quarter touchdowns behind quarterback Brett Lindstrom and I-B back Chris Butler.

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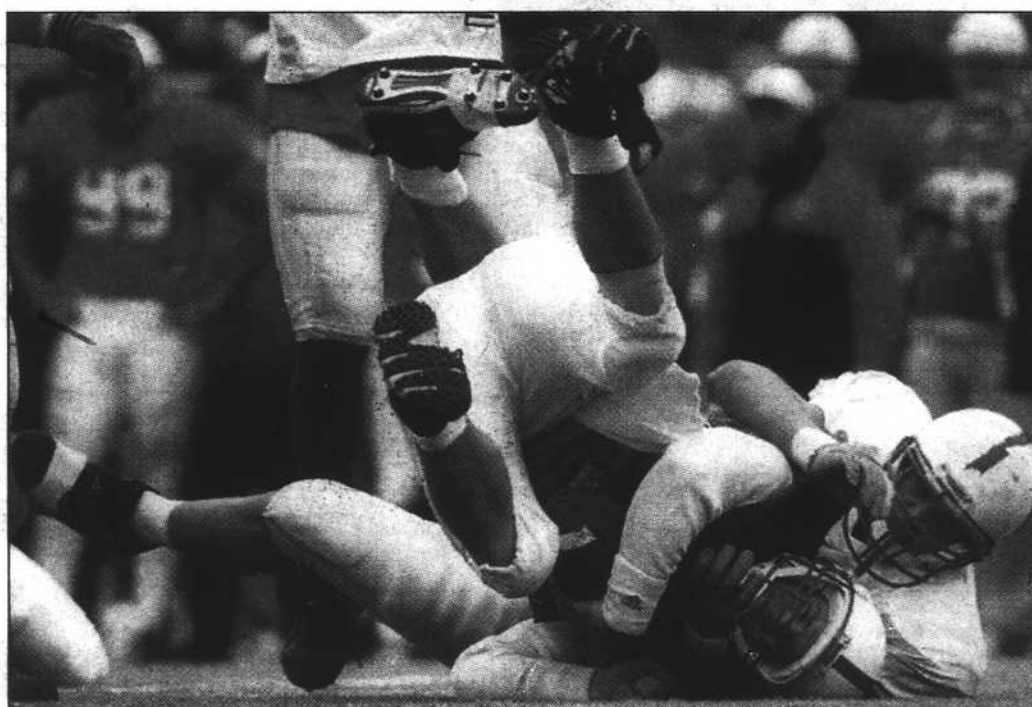
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ABOVE: JUDD DAVIES, a freshman fullback from Millard North, rushes for 21 yards for his second touchdown of the day during the spring game Saturday.

ABOVE: JUNIOR Randy Stella screams in pain as officials assess his injuries during the Red and White game. RIGHT: SENIOR Kyle Vanden Bosch tackles quarterback Joe Chrisman during the annual red and white game Saturday at Memorial Stadium.



## Gymnasts get fourth at NCAAs

By Jason Merrihew

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The magical season of the Nebraska women's gymnastics team came to an end this past weekend in Boise, Idaho, during the NCAA National Championship.

The fairy-tale career as a collegiate gymnast ended in a bang for senior All-American NCAA all-around national champion Heather Brink. Brink finished her career Saturday at the individual championships, capturing the second individual vault title in school history.

Michele Bryant was the only other Husker to be named a national champion on the vault during the 1990 season.

"I definitely got more than I expected out of this meet," Brink said. "I won't say I'm not very happy right now. My senior year went great. The team went out great, and I went out great."

Scoring a 9.925 on the uneven bars, Brink earned runner-up honors to

UCLA's Mohini Bhardwaj, who scored a 9.95.

Brink's finish in the uneven bars ties her with Crystal Savage as the best finish in the event in school history. Savage placed second on the 1989 NU team.

"(Brink) is the most dedicated athlete I've ever had," Kendig said. "She has matured and evolved into a tremendous leader and set standards and worked hard. It has had a trickle-down effect for our team."

Freshman A.J. Lamb also competed during Saturday's individual championships.

Lamb placed ninth behind Brink in the floor exercise.

The Cornhuskers put forth a valiant effort to place fourth in the country, the best finish under a Dan Kendig-led Nebraska team.

"We thought we had a good chance to finish second or third, but we are happy to finish fourth," Kendig said. "We did a good job on every event. We had one fall but didn't count it. The dif-

ference in the meet was the way that Georgia and Utah vaulted. That is where they passed us."

The Huskers finished with a team score of 196.725, the eighth-best score in school history. UCLA won its second team title in four years by providing a score of 197.30 in the meet. Utah placed second (196.875), followed by Georgia (196.80). NU placed ahead of Alabama (196.50) and Michigan (195.725).

"UCLA was lights out tonight, and they were the best team tonight," Kendig said. "They hit all 24 routines, and we knew coming in that if they hit, they would be the team to beat."

Junior Amy Ringo and Lamb both recorded scores over 39 in the all-around Friday.

Ringo helped the team score by contributing a 39.15, while Lamb finished with a 39.25.

"It was an incredible team effort," Kendig said. "That is what we preached all season, and that's what makes it worthwhile."

## Three former Huskers picked in NFL draft

By Joshua Camenzind

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The 2000 NFL Draft will not go down as one of the greatest in history for Nebraska players, but it did fulfill the dreams of three defensive stars from last season's Cornhuskers.

Mike Brown, Steve Warren and Ralph Brown were all fortunate enough to hear their names called during the two-day draft held in New York's Madison Square Garden. The draft provided a roller coaster of emotions for the three Husker stars.

Mike Brown surprised many when he was taken in the second round by the Chicago Bears with the No. 39 pick overall. Mike Brown said his selection may have surprised a few people, but he just wanted a chance to prove his worth on the next level.

"I am glad I have the opportunity,"

*"I was real nervous and just ready for it to get over with last night. It was a very long day."*

Steve Warren  
former Husker

said Mike Brown from his mother's home in Scottsdale, Ariz. "I will give it my best effort, and if it is not good enough, then it was just not meant to be."

Mike Brown, the first safety select-

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