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OKLAHOMA 31, NEBRASKA 12

The lowdown....Our first team was too experienced and too good for Nebraska's kids (six of their starters are only 17, although husky). We played our first team most of the first half, led 25-0 at the half. The first team started the last half, got a td. in three minutes, led 31-0 and saw very little action afterward as Nebraska licked our second team all over the field.

Statistics....First downs, Oklahoma 9-8. Net yards rushed, Oklahoma 108-92. Passing, Oklahoma hit 7 of 10 for 132, Nebraska 4 of 16 for 78. Punt returns, Oklahoma 7 for 64, Nebraska 1 for 9. Total yards, Oklahoma 369-254. Penalties, Oklahoma 20-16.

Play-by-play....First quarter: Sooners drove 40 yards in seven plays to score with Lebow smashing over. Longest gain this drive a 22-yard pass, Lebow to Dollarhide. Wooten's conversion blocked by Center Keith Doyle of Nebraska, an outstanding lineman. Sooners drove 65 to a second touchdown, Tommy Meason, Ardmore freshman and Lebow's sub, scoring it on a nine-yard cutback behind a solid block by Guard Thurman Tigart who played a fine game. Longest plays this drive two insideM reverses by Charley Heard, 13 and 15 yards, and Meason's passes to Sparkman for 7 and Dollarhide for 7. Meason missed goal. 12-0. Third touchdown: Sparkman, our 143-15, qb, ran wide, faked a lateral, kept the ball, cut back in the secondary and outran the Cornhuskers 20 yards to a touchdown. Wooten hit this one. 19-0. Just before the half ended we drove 47 to a fourth touchdown, Meason passing 13 yards to Wooten who was all alone in the end zone. Previously Meason had sniped another pass to Wooten for 37 yards, Wooten sensationally taking the ball away from Betz. Wooten missed goal. 25-0. last half: We scored in three plays, Dollarhide scooting 3 yards off the T, Lebow trapped passing, had to run, made 2, then Lebow bulletted the ball to Dinkins who ran 31 yards to a touchdown. Wooten's kick hit the post. 31-0. Nebraska drove 48 to a touch, Joe Kessler running 11 and Betz passing to Kessler for a td. 31-6. Berkey's kick was wide. 31-6. In the fourth period they drove 60 in five plays to another, Collopy plunging 3 for it after Knight had reversed 25 to the three and fell down and ~~and~~ Perdew had hit two nice passes. Knight missed goal. 31-12. They made another long drive at the bell which we stopped on our 4 only after Snorter sent the first team back in. Those Cornhusker kids were a frisky bunch. They were never licked, playing their best ball when five tds. behind.

Oklahoma wins Big Six....The victory gave us another undisputed Big Six title, our second in a row. We had 4 wins, 1 tie. Iowa State second 3 wins, 1 loss, 1 tie. It was a weird season. Snorter's boys played more hull-gull football than ever before, breaking a 25-year scoring record at the university. However they also were scored on (149 pts., 22 tds.) more than any Oklahoma team of all time, and football is 50 years old at Norman this year. We defeated Texas A&M 21-14, Kansas State 68-0, Texas Christian (Southwest conference champions and meet Okla. Aggies in Cotton Bowl) 34-19, Iowa State 12-7, Kansas 20-0 and Nebraska 31-12. We lost to Norman Navy Zoomers 14-28, to Texas 0-20, to Aggies 6-28. Tied Missouri 21-21.

Stuff....The players autographed the Nebraska game ball with which they won the Big Six and it will be auctioned off between halves OU-SMU basketball game here Friday night to highest war bond bidder....John Jacobs was hunting quail near Capshaw school house east of town, started to blow nose, quail flew up under his feet, Jake put the hanky in his mouth, upped his gun, fired twice, missed both shots....Bruce Drake's car stolen from in front of Fieldhouse last night....Drake just left, accompanied by the sheriff, two detectives and a police dog....but no clues yet....probably some of the basketball players just borrowed it to go down to the corner.... Three years ago Bruce lost another Ford V-8 in the South Canadian river....Please let us have your address changes as promptly as possible....Results first round class A Okla. HS football playoffs: Classen 20, Ardmore 0; Tulsa Central 12, Ada 3; Perry 22, Sand Springs 0; Altus 13, Lawton 0. This class A only. So long..