

"Probably Missouri should be the strongest of the three schools with all-civilian teams. They still have Delestatious, Collins, and several other boys from their fine team last year who will have profited by a year's experience. Nebraska always has a good football team. Last year they had probably the poorest team they have ever had. Yet they were able to beat Kansas by one point in a sea of rain and mud at Lincoln, perpetuating the 28-year old jinx. Coach Ward Haylett of Kansas State, whose team was in the cellar last season, recently announced that things were looking up for football next year with the return of 140 Army veterinararians to civilian status. These together with a promising array of last year's high school stars, should provide Kansas State with some much-needed manpower.

"While the picture may change almost overnight, hingeing upon the progress of the war, various decisions of the Navy, and the general manpower situation, K. U. will have to battle hard to place in the upper bracket next fall. However, there is a fighting spirit evident amongst the players who participated in the Jayhawker's victory over Missouri last fall which had not been evident for several seasons and which may carry the young Jayhawkers to greater heights in 1944.

"It should be an interesting season, and fans are assured of good football entertainment with the results in the laps of the gods and the hands of the 17-year olds, the 4F's and the Navy.