If Coach Tom Stidham wishes, he can start a senior backfield. Left to right in the picture are four seniors: Hugh McCullough, fullback; Earl Crowder, blocking back; Gene Corrotto, right halfback; and Otis Rogers, left halfback.

Sports Review

By Harold Keith, '29

FIVE opponents invade Norman this fall for games against Coach Tom Stidham’s Oklahoma Sooners. How does each of them stack up on paper before the season starts? What have they lost, what do they have left, where are they weak and where are they strong? We’ll take them in the order that the Sooners will meet them.

Nebraska (October 22)

Eight times in the past ten years has Nebraska won the Big Six football championship, but this year the Cornhuskers may be dethroned because Major Lawrence “Biff” Jones has lost his entire first team line except for Charles Brock, 195-pound senior center from Columbus, Neb.

Gone from last year’s stout Cornhusker forward wall are Elmer Dohrmann and Paul Amen, ends; Fred Shirey and Ted Doyle, tackles; and Lowell English, Gus Peters and Robert Mehring, guards.

Also, Johnny Howell, veteran quarterback, and Harris Andrews, veteran half who ran 66 yards through Oklahoma for a touchdown at Norman two years ago, are graduated.

All this makes the Biffer’s task plain. He must school his sophomore class as fast as he can, because sophomores must be brought along fast.

Nebraska should have a great forward passing attack this season, thanks to Major Jones’ development of Phelps through the last half of 1937. In the final game of the season against Kansas State at Manhattan, played on a wet field in weather so icy that all the players wore gloves, Phelps forward passed the muddy ball brilliantly.

The Cornhuskers won’t be entirely strapped for linemen. Besides Brock, the great center, there will be Bob Mills, tackle; Lloyd Grimm, end; Adna Dobson, guard; Bill Pleif, guard and Sam Schwartzkopf, tackle, from last year’s letter crop.

Oklahoma entertains Nebraska at Norman the week after Jones’ team plays “Bo” McMillin’s tough team at Lincoln, a pretty tough spot. The Sooners will play Kansas at Lawrence the Saturday before meeting Nebraska at Norman.

The Nebraska schedule for 1938:

- Oct. 1 Minnesota at Minneapolis
- Oct. 8 Iowa State at Lincoln
- Oct. 15 Indiana at Lincoln
- Oct. 22 Oklahoma at Norman
- Oct. 29 Missouri at Lincoln
- Nov. 5 Kansas at Lawrence
- Nov. 12 Pittsburgh at Lincoln
- Nov. 19 Iowa at Iowa City
- Nov. 24 Kansas State at Lincoln

Tulsa (October 29)

Coach Vic Hurt of Tulsa university will have one of the finest first teams in the land, yet fears the Golden Hurricane’s scarcity of line reserves.

But there’s no denying that smart, seasoned Tulsa starting eleven:

- Ends—John McBibben, 200 pounds, made over from tackle, and Corporal Jones, 190
- Tackles—Calvin Thomas, 205, and Othel Turner, 210
- Guards—Forrest Gregory, 190, and Leo Sas, 185
- Center—George Adams, 180
- Quarterback—Tommy Thompson, 180
- Halfbacks—George Farmer, 187, and Morris White, 162
- Fullback—Troy Scholl, 190

Thompson was one of the nation’s finest passers last year, pitching two touchdowns against the Sooners in the opener. His season’s passing record was 53 completions in 128 attempts for 954 yards and nine touchdowns.

White, back for his last season, is one of the finest running backs ever developed in Oklahoma. Last year he made 676 yards from scrimmage in 130 carries, besides gaining 535 yards on returned punts, in spite of the fact the vicious Sooner defense threw him for more yards lost than he was able to gain in the first game.

Farmer and Scholl are primarily blockers, although Farmer hits well on reverses and Scholl is a stiff line-bucker and a good line-backer.

Tulsa’s losses, 15 lettermen of 29, hurt mostly in the line. The four best Hurricane ends, a starting guard and tackle,
Kansas State (November 5)

Lack of experience is the only thing that can keep Coach Wes Fry's Kansas State Wildcats from having a great foot-
ball team this fall.

Manhattan claims Fry's Wildcat squad contains more good football players this fall than any Kansas State squad of the last 50 years. "More height, added speed and a star-studded group of sophomores," is the way Ralph Langshock, Kansas City sports publicity man, describes it.

Of the 15 returning lettermen, 11 were sophomores last year. That means that Fry's 1938 squad will have more than 55 sophomores and juniors, and only four seniors. Looks like a tough Wildcat team in 1939.

The quarterback position played so ex-

pertly by Howard Cleveland worries Fry, but Jack Blanke, 160-pound junior from Atchison, a reserve last year, is being groomed for it, along with Melvin Seelye, 175-pound Fort Scott sophomore.

Right now, Kansas State's starting

lineup against Lyon Wardor's Northwestern team at Evanston October 1, looks like this: Emile Kientz and Don Crumpacker, veterans, at end; Veterans Bill Bezzley and Shirley Davis at tackle; Veteran Staley Pitts and Sophomore Bernard Weiner at guard; Veteran Kenneth Lodstrom, center; Reserve Jack Blanken at quarterback; Veterans Jim Brock or Bunt Speer and Sophomore Elmer Nieman at halfback and Veteran Elmer "One Man Gang" Hackney at fullback.

Bob Briggs, a 180-pound fullback who last year played about as well as Hackney, will also come in mighty useful.

Last year Fry's Kansas Staters beat Marquette 13-0, Creighton 15-7, Wash-

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But the Tigers tallied only six touchdowns all season.

The Sooners catch the Tigers the week after Missouri meets Michigan State at Columbia. The Tigers catch the Sooners the week after Coach Tom Stidham's team plays Kansas State at Norman.

The Missouri schedule:
Oct. 1 Colorado at Columbia.
Oct. 8 Kansas State at Manhattan.
Oct. 15 Iowa State at Columbia.
Oct. 22 Washington at St. Louis.
Oct. 29 Nebraska at Lincoln.
Nov. 5 Michigan State at Columbia.
Nov. 12 Oklahoma at Norman.
Nov. 19 St. Louis at St. Louis.
Nov. 24 Kansas at Columbia.

Washington State (December 3)
Washington State, Oklahoma's inter-sectional opponent at Norman December 3, will show Oklahoma fans more tall, big football players than any squad playing at Norman in recent years.

Twenty-nine of the Cougars Coach Babe Hollingbery will bring to Oklahoma are six feet tall or better. Twenty weigh 190 pounds or better.

Hollingbery's sophomore crop compares quite favorably with Rice's and Nebraska's on paper, but Washington State will need it with seven first team players graduating. Oklahoma also has lost seven first team players from last season.

Seventeen lettermen remain, four of whom, end John Klumb, tackle Dick Farman, halfback Eddie Bayne and quarterback Joe Angelo, were first team players.

The remaining 14 were valuable reserves who will dispute the first team spots with Cougar sophomores. They are Ken Devine, center; Benton Collins and Bill Shore, guards; George Hubert and Bill Bantz, tackles; Chuck Holmes, Fred Brown and Joe McLellan, ends; and Earle Ross, Cecil Welchke, Paul Callow, Dick Emerson and Chuck Wood, backs.

Last year Washington State defeated Idaho 13-0, U. C. L. A. 3-0, and Oregon State 7-0. Hollingbury's team tied Washington 7-7, Southern California 0-0 and Gonzaga 0-0. The Cougars lost to Oregon 6-10, Stanford 0-23 and California 0-27.

The Washington State schedule for 1938:
Sept. 24 Oregon at Pullman.
Oct. 1 California at Pullman.
Oct. 8 Stanford at Palo Alto.
Oct. 15 Southern California at Los Angeles.
Oct. 22 Oregon State at Portland.
Oct. 29 Gonzaga at Spokane.
Nov. 5 U. C. L. A. at Pullman.
Nov. 12 Idaho at Moscow.
Nov. 26 Washington at Seattle.
Dec. 3 Oklahoma at Norman.

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