

Football Report, September 30, 2006

NCC Games

Nebraska-Omaha 21, Minnesota State 14

Mankato, Minn. -- Nebraska-Omaha quarterback Zach Miller scrambled nine-yards to break a 14-14 tie and catapult UNO to a 21-14 over Minnesota State Saturday in MSU's annual homecoming game.

Miller and tailback Kyle Kasperbauer combined for 326 yards on the ground -Miller gaining 165 on 22 carries and Kasperbauer gaining 161 on 32 touches.

MSU's Ben King finished 27-of-53 for 277 yards and a touchdown. Bryan Dalton caught seven passes for a 106 yards. Bryan Alberty carried the ball seven times for 22 yards, and caught four passes for 54 yards. Tony Hunter led MSU with 10 tackles.

Minnesota Duluth 20, Western Washingto 10

Bellingham, Wash. -- Quarterback Ted Schlafke threw for 329 yards and a touchdown as Minnesota Duluth defeated Western Washington, 20-10, at Civic Stadium.

Schlafke completed 25-of-38 passes, including an 8-yard scoring toss to Greg Aker in the first quarter that helped the Bulldogs take a 10-0 lead just 6:51 into the game. Schlafke threw for 204 yards in the first quarter alone.

Schlafke has now thrown at least one touchdown pass in a schoolrecord 17 straight games for UMD.

Running back Calvin McCarty was the main cog in Western's offense, rushing for 96 yards on 22 carries and having six receptions for 47 yards. Monrean completed 14-of-20 passes for 172 yards with a touchdown and two interceptions, snapping a string of 106 pass attempts without an interception.

Western committed three turnovers after not having a turnover in the previous three games.

Shane Simmons led the Western defense with 12 tackles, including three for loss.

Central Washington 24, St. Cloud State 14

Ellensburg, Wash. -- Central Washington quarterback Mike Reilly passed for 228 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Wildcats to a 24-14 victory over St. Cloud State . The win was the first league victory for CWU as an affiliate.

Reilly completed 20 of 30 passes. Chris Jameson was his target for seven receptions and a career high 93 receiving yards and one touchdown. Will Bennett rushed for 85 yards on 25 carries for the Wildcats.

St. Cloud State trailed 21-0 in the third quarter and closed to 21-14 but were not able to generate another scoring drive. Husky quarterback Jon Quesnel completed 18 of 36 passes for 266 yards, a career high and one touchdown. Anders Johnson caught five passes for 38 yards and Tyler McKee had three catches for a career high 83 yards.

Central Washington tallied 400 yards in offense, while the Huskies managed 279 yards.

North Dakota 24, Augustana 21 (OT)

Sioux Falls, S.D. -- Augustana came within inches of one of the biggest wins in school history. However, North Dakota held the Vikings scoreless in overtime to hang on for a 24-21 victory at Howard Wood Field.

Augustana was primed for the upset. The Vikings held North Dakota to a 25-yard field goal by Brandon Hellevang on UND's overtime possession. On their turn on offense, the Vikings had a first-and-goal from the Sioux 1.

On first down, quarterback Tommy Flyger ran over the left side but was stopped inches shy of the goal line. On second down, Flyger was knocked for a 2-yard loss by UND's Robbie Meek. On third down, Flyger threw pass to the end zone for Ryan Rothenberger. Rothenberger had the ball in his hands, but as he and UND defender Jason Hoffschneider fell to the ground, the ball came loose.

Ryan Grossman came on for a 20-yard game-tying field goal attempt, but Tom DeSautel blocked the kick to end the game.

The loss was a disappointing end to a spirited Viking Days comeback. Augustana trailed 21-6 with less than 4 minutes left in the third guarter before coming back.

Flyger finished the day completing 18 of 35 passes fro 262 yards. He added 63 yards on the ground. Chris Pomerleau had a career day catching the ball, hauling in 6 receptions for 140 yards, both of which are career highs. Tommy Ellingworth added 71 yards on 5 catches.

For UND, Chris Belmore completed 13 of 24 passes for 179 yards with 1 TD and 2 interceptions. Weston Dressler had 80 yards receiving on 3 catches. Meanwhile, Ryan Chappell rushed for 137 yards on 21 carries.

Defensively, Nick Ovenden had a game-high 12 tackles for the Vikings. Rice added 8 stops to go along with his interception, while Craig Bosch also had 8 tackles.

Meek led UND with 8 tackles, while Hoffschneider had 7 stops and 2 pass break ups.

Non-Conference

Central Arkansas 24, South Dakota 0

Standings	NCC	Over.
Nebraska-Omaha	3-0	4-1
North Dakota	3-0	5-0
South Dakota	2-0	5-0
Minnesota Duluth	2-1	4-1
Augustana	1-2	3-2
Central Washington	1-2	3-2
Minnesota State	0-2	2-3
St. Cloud State	0-2	2-3
Western Washington	0-3	1-4