

# Prep Athletes Get Set for First Tilts at Coliseum

## GAMES THURSDAY BEGIN CONTESTS

Four Hundred High School Players Meet Here for Championships in Basketball, Wrestling and Swimming; Hoopsters Show First.

CRETE HEAVY FAVORITE IN CLASS A COMPETITION

Wrestling Scheduled for Friday, Swimming Saturday; Finals in Court Battle Set for Saturday Night; Season Tickets Are Marked \$2.

By JOE MILLER.

Four hundred athletes, cream of the Nebraska prep crop, Thursday afternoon will begin a three day drive for state high school honors in basketball, wrestling and swimming at the coliseum.

Basketball class A and B titles are scheduled to open the journey program when Sprague-Martell meets Mascot in a class E mix at 12:30 this afternoon. Championship class A games get under way at 1:00, with Sidney playing Columbus on the varsity or a court.

Wrestling champions start Friday afternoon with preliminaries at 2:30. The bouts will be held on the coliseum stage. Mat finals have been set for Saturday, preliminaries scheduled for 10 a. m. with the finals in the afternoon.

Five bands have accepted invitations to play during the tourney. Secretary Black announced Wednesday, Irving junior high musicians will play Thursday afternoon; Lincoln high, Thursday evening; Havelock high, Friday afternoon; Dwight high for the semifinals Friday evening and the Nebraska R. O. T. C. band is slated to provide entertainment for Saturday night's finals.

Crete Favored.

Crete high, heavy favorites to cop the class A title this year, plays Neligh at 9 o'clock tonight in a first round tilt. Assuming that Coach Klein's boys will get over the first hurdle, they will run into keen competition in the second against either Plattsmouth or North Platte. The latter mix is doped as a tossup.

Two undefeated teams are represented in the class A division of the 1932 meet in Grand Island and Stuart. The Islanders are a fine defensive quint, but lost two valuable players at the close of the first semester. However, they should take McCook in an upper bracket skirmish. Stuart, also undefeated, is hardly capable of upsetting Hastings. Coach Thomas' quintet has been coming along fast of late, winning the last nine games after a poor start.

Kearney is expected to trim West Point, while York has the edge over Pierce. The Waverly-Mitchell go in another close one. The team that has the basket eye will ride the victory wave, and that goes for all the games.

Class B competition finds three undefeated teams entered in Newport, North Central conference winner; Arlington, D-W-D champions and Oakdale. Hickman and Mead are strong and along with the undefeated trio are favored to get by the initial round.

Season tickets for the tournament are on sale at Latch Bros. and at the coliseum for \$2. The season pastebards include admission to all basketball games, and to wrestling and swimming championships. General admission for the first and second rounds has been set at fifty cents, with reserved seats at seventy-five cents. Semifinal and final games are seventy-five cents, general admission and \$1 for reserved seats.

Revolutionizing methods of university administration, the Oregon state board of education has recently announced that the University of Oregon, Oregon State college and the three normal schools of the state are to be placed under one president with a unified program. A similar plan for Oklahoma schools was last year suggested by Governor "Alfalfa Bill" Murray in a message to the Sooner legislature, but no action was taken.



JOHN KERIAKEDES, perennial candidate for a center position on the Husker football team crashes into the limelight again. He has been chosen to captain the Wildcats, one of four squads chosen by Bible to facilitate spring practice work. You must hand it to Kerialedes, he has persistence plus great intestinal fortitude. This will be his fourth season on the squad. Most fellows would have thrown in the towel long ago.

A tardy football candidate came up to Bible following Wednesday's drill and asked to what team he would be assigned. Coach Bible looked over at "Tiny" Kerialedes who was standing nearby and answered: "Why, I guess you can join John's squad all right." Whereupon Kerialedes chirruped: "Boy, can we use you. We need all the cannon fodder we can get!"

John the irreplaceable then turned to his coach with: "Say, what are we anyway? Fall guys for the rest of these teams?" Bible only grinned.

This afternoon thirty-two teams, elite among state prep quintets, begin competition in the twenty-second annual cage championships at the coliseum. There are many fine teams listed in both class A and B rosters. They had to be good to get where they are. (With apologies to Chesterfield's). Let's be sure to extend every courtesy to these 400 boys, treating them as guests, not foreigners. Many will get their first impressions of Nebraska U. during their three days here.

Veterans naturally are showing up best among both the backs and linemen in this very early stage of spring practice. Steve Hofuf, Carlyle Staab, Henry Bauer and Bernie Masterson are in especially fine fettle. Hofuf has about convinced his coaches that he is fast enough for a backfield job. There is no question but that Steve wants to play behind the line, and if the end candidates come through he will probably get his chance.

Physical condition of the eighty-odd candidates generally is better than was the case a year ago. The men are getting into the swing of things in a hurry, and already have tasted their first scrimmage. Although it was only a ten minute affair, the gridsters proved they are in shape and ready to go. The coaching staff last year held off for more than a week before allowing any scrimmage.

**K. U. HONORS BASKETEERS**  
Seven Members Champ Team Get Letters; Two Are Named Captains.

LAWRENCE, Kas.—Theodore O'Leary, Lawrence, and Leland Page, Kansas City, were named honorary co-captains of the 1931-32 University of Kansas basketball team at a luncheon given by the Lawrence chamber of commerce Tuesday for Dr. F. C. Allen and his Big Six championship team.

Seven men received letters for their service during the 1931-32 basketball season. They are: William Johnson, Oklahoma City; Theodore O'Leary; Elmer Schaaek, Lawrence; Leland Page, Kansas City; Paul Harrington, Kansas City; Frank Bausch, Wichita, and Ernest Vanek, Ellsworth.

**FIGHT TOURNEY IS LISTED**  
All-University Boxing Set For March 24; Eight Weights Open.

Plans have been completed for an all-university boxing tournament at the coliseum Thursday, March 24, at 3 p. m. All contestants must weigh in from 12 to 3 o'clock on that date.

There will be bouts in the 112, 118, 126, 135, 147, 160, 175 and heavyweight divisions. Participants will be allowed two pounds grace in all classes. No previous filing is necessary to be eligible to compete. Medals will be awarded to the champion and runnerup in each class, a silver medal to the winner and bronze for second place.

**K. U. GRIDSTERS AT WORK**  
Spring Practice Opens at Jayhawk School With 33 Men Out.

LAWRENCE, Kas.—Spring football practice at the University of Kansas is scheduled to get definitely under way soon, according to Coach Bill Hargis. Time has so far been devoted mostly to checking out equipment, although some limbering exercises and scrimmaging tactics have been practiced.

Thirty-three went through the first practice drills Wednesday. None of last year's letter men has checked out equipment yet, but Coach Hargis expressed his belief that eleven letter men would report soon. Spring training will last four weeks.

Samuel Pursell, Lincoln, has been elected to the position of superintendent of schools at Talmage, Neb.

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## GRIDSTERS BRAVE MARCH WINDS IN EARLY PRACTICE

Wednesday Workout Finds Squad Divided Into Four Teams.

TO SCRIMMAGE SATURDAY

High Cage Teams to View Huskers in Action in Spring Frays.

Chill March winds enlivened Wednesday night's practice for the four score gridiron aspirants who are being put through the mill by Coach Dana X. Bible in preparation for Saturday's scrimmage.

Work on the kickoff with Roby and Hofuf doing the booting showed that there will be no weakness in this phase of the Husker game. Roby, with a helping tailwind, had no trouble dropping the ball seventy yards down the line, and Hofuf's kicks were not far behind. Hofuf, Bauer, Masterson and other backs were used in returning the punts, and they were going through their maneuvers in almost mid-season form.

In order to facilitate workouts and dummy scrimmages, Coach Bible has divided his unusually large number of candidates into four squads. The veteran center, Lawrence Ely, is captain of one squad called the Bulldogs. Staab heads the Bears. Hofuf has a band of Tigers, and John Kerialedes is leading the snarling Wildcats. Unfortunately, "Wildcat" Wolcott was not assigned to the team bearing his name.

**Scrimmage Saturday.**  
The Bulldogs are: Nesmith, Joy, Weir, ends; Schleuter, Hulbert, McPherson, tackles; Bishop, DeBus, Johnson, guards; Ely, Tip-ton, centers; White, Bauer, Masterson, Boswell, Newton, Martin, and Peterson, backs.

On the Tiger team are: Copple, Slaughter, Hladky, Armstrong, Wolcott, R. Murray, H. White, ends; Pfum, Holmbeck, Green, tackles; Swanson, Uptegrove, Hubka, Christenson, guards; Jones and Rowand, centers; Miller, Hofuf, Fahrbruch, Penney, Ryan, Thomas, Schick and Chase, backs.

Milne, Scott, Peek, Bristol, Hulbert and Sorenson are ends on the Bear squad; Sell, Dreier and Wenke are tackles; DeBrown, Gartner and Justice, guards; Meier and Campbell, centers, and Brecht, Mathis, Staab, Parsons, Edwards, Mueller, Murray, Roby and Schmid are the backs.

The lineup of the Wildcats includes: Fowler, Lunney, Toman, Burnett, Hladky, Kosman, Craw-

## First Round Pairings Of Prep Cage Tourney

- CLASS A.  
1:00—Sidney vs. Columbus.  
2:00—Grand Island vs. McCook.  
3:00—Hastings vs. Stuart.  
4:00—Kearney vs. West Point.  
5:00—York vs. Pierce.  
6:00—Waverly vs. Mitchell.  
7:00—Plattsmouth vs. North Platte.  
8:00—Crete vs. Neligh.
- CLASS B.  
12:30—Sprague-Martell vs. Mascot.  
1:30—Benedict vs. Schubert.  
2:30—Newport vs. Big Springs.  
3:30—Hladon vs. Arlington.  
4:30—Oakdale vs. Dalton.  
5:30—Craig vs. Hickman.  
6:30—Stockham vs. Sumner.  
7:30—Mead vs. Grafton.

ford, and Webster, ends; Sullivan and Schultz, tackles; Mehring, Stowell, Leffel and Greene, guards; Kerialedes, Prestegard, a n d Bauer, centers, and Armstrong, Eldridge, Skewes, Delaney, Scholl, Wilson, Barger, and Mousel, backs. All four teams will be used in the several periods of scrimmage Saturday for the benefit of the high school cage teams who are here for the state tournament.

## JAYHAWK NET TEAM ROUNDS INTO FORM

Conference Champs Believe Chances Good Repeat 1931 Triumph.

LAWRENCE, Kas.—The tennis team at the University of Kansas is rapidly rounding into form. Members of last year's team include Wilbur Coen, jr., Kansas City, captain and coach; George Furd, Abilene; Leonard Prosser, Kansas City, and Sterling Cutlip, Lawrence. Arthur Voss, a former Missouri Valley champion, is also working out with them.

Other men who have reported for tennis practice at the university are: Chiles Coleman, Junction City; Max Murphy, Lawrence; Harry Alder, Florence; Newton Howard, Arkansas City; Milford Johnson, St. Francis; Kenneth Kell, Topeka; Robert McDowell, Kansas City; George Hazen, Kansas City, Kas.; Herbert Sandell, Kansas City, Kas., and Sidney Hellbrun, Ellinwood.

Practice will be held indoors until warmer weather.

Kansas last year won the Big Six championship and is favored to repeat this year. The first match is to be with Missouri, April 14, at Lawrence. According to Coen there is a possibility of an engagement with the University of Texas, which possesses one of the best tennis teams in the south.

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## K. U. TRACKSTERS TO MEET HUSKERS HERE

Dual Compet Scheduled for Sometime This Spring On Lincoln Soil.

LAWRENCE, Kas.—The University of Kansas will meet the University of Nebraska in a dual outdoor track meet sometime this spring at Lincoln, Coach Brutus Hamilton announced Wednesday morning.

The meet will be a battle between the two outstanding teams of the Big Six. Nebraska has held the indoor championship for three years and Kansas is the present outdoor champion.

In the Big Six indoor meet at Columbia, Mo., last Saturday, Kansas bettered her standing of last year by taking second place. A study of the results of the different events in the meet indicates great potential strength for the Jayhawk aggregation. In many of the events, Kansas was beaten by other than Nebraska and in a dual meet Kansas is conceded an even chance to take first honors.

Glenn Cunningham, who has been invited to the Central A. A. U. track meet at Chicago, Ill., this Saturday, displayed his power in the Big Six meet last week when he finished a brilliant mile run to set a new record of 4:21.1. His mark also bettered the K. U. record of 4:26.6, which was set by "Poco" Frazier in 1927.

Clyde Coffman turned in one of the finest exhibitions of the meet when he skimmed over the bar in the pole vault at 13 feet and 3/4 inch, to equal the mark set by Ossian of Nebraska several years ago. Coffman made this performance in spite of the injured back which has handicapped him most of this season. Under favorable conditions he is expected to establish a new Big Six outdoor record in the dual meet with the Cornhuskers.

## COED TEAMS MUST HAVE TWO PRACTICES

Basket Entrees May Not Compete if Do Not Have Requirements.

All coed basketball teams that have filed for the intramural tournament must have had at least two practices by the week ending March 26th, it was announced by the intramural office Monday. If they do not complete two practices they will not be allowed to enter the elimination contest.

Practice schedule is as follows: Thursday, March 17, 5 o'clock; Alpha Xi Delta, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta. Referees: Esther Abbott and Jane Axtell.

Friday, March 18, 5 o'clock; Delta Zeta, Delta Gamma, Phi Omega Pi, Alpha Delta Theta. Referees: Julianne Dietken and Dorothy Thalen.

Monday, March 21, 5 o'clock; Hobby Club, Alpha Delta Pi, Kappa Delta, Phi Mu. Referees: Laverle Herman and Agnes Grover.

Tuesday, March 22, 5 o'clock; I-X-L and Ne'eds.

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