



**COACHES ANNOUNCE WIDE OPEN SPACES ON CAGE RANGE**

When our great grandchildren are visiting us at the home for feeble, even then coaches will be telling their basketball forces at the season's opening that the race is wide open for first string positions. Even in the face of a full team of triple year letter winners, coaches assure the newcomers that everything is "wide open."

Usually (nothing specific in mind) the race is about as "wide open" as the vault to the New York National Bank. Veterans usually stand around and snicker up their sleeveless arms while mentors pour on the oil of encouragement.

"Don't laugh, you lettermen," they say, "you're not cinches." But did you ever hear the wall of a coach who has just lost a letterman. It's quite like the moan of a wounded diffus bird crying for its mate.

Honest, we aren't aiming this pebble of discourse at Coach Browne, for we were thinking of all cage coaches from our high school days on up. However, if Browne has not already done so, he will be dusting off the antiquated notes about the "wide open" spaces on his cage range. It's unavoidable. Just one of those maladies like the feverish tremor of the gospel preacher. Of course, it's the thing to do; to encourage all the aspirants of a squad, yet it is satirical to stand off and listen to the ditty each year.

Take this year for instance. Remember that kid's tale?

Once there were five berths on the cage floor. Along came Amen and then there were four. Four little cage berths playing a free. Along came Elough and then there were three. Three little cage berths soon to go too. Cause along came Parsons, then there were two.

There you have it. Aside from the three spots already cinched, the race is "wide open." Even the two remaining positions are not exactly running unattached. At guard Grimm and Elliott are experienced lads. At forwards, Al Werner looks like perty much of a cinch.

However, there is one redeeming feature in all this "wide open" coach chatter. This year, with the game devoid of its resting center jump, more men will be needed to maintain the pace that will be required in this whirlwind game of basketball.

Browne, happy poppa of the first championship Husker basketball team, will be gunning, once again, for his annual team improvement. And this looks like the year for the Huskers to win a crown with no strings, for besides those mentioned, the Nebraska coach has Bruce Campbell, Grant Thomas, Dow Wilson, Jack Schock, Larry Nelson, Frank Tallman, etc., etc.—all vets.

From this point hence, let's look upon our Husker cagers as the Big Six basketball kings of 1937-38 and treat them as such.

**Browsing Among The Books**

The inclusion of Max Beer-bohm's "A Christmas Carol," which is a collection of Christmas stories told in the manner of famous authors, is not only seasonable, but it brings to us again the gem of the group, the caricature of a little boy and his sister who have awakened to inspect their stockings on Christmas morning. Through the boy's consciousness we see the Jamesian gravity and delicacy of the situation. The climax, however, comes in the words of the little sister: "Of course, my dear, you do know. They are, and you know. I know you know, we wouldn't either of us dip a finger into them. One doesn't violate the shrine—pick the pearl from the shell!" And to you who have read "The Golden Bowl" and "Wings of the Dove," "You know I know you know."

Then there is Dorothy Parker's short story, "The Little Hours," which is a monologue of a lonely lady who awakes at four in the morning, because she has gone early to bed, and who tries to get back to sleep. "I might repeat to myself, slowly, and soothingly," she says, "a list of quotations beautiful from minds profound; if I can remember any of the damn things." She starts off with "This above all, to thine own self be true," and the acme is reached when through her stream of consciousness flows that immortal line from T. S. Eliot: "Mrs. Porter and her daughter wash their feet in sodawater." In his Afterward on Miss Parker, Woolcott tells us she is the "Constant Reader" who used to do reviews for the New Yorker, and he reminds us of the time she summed up one of A. A. Milne's efforts with: "Tonsant Weader frowed up." And this reminds us of Angus Burrell's likening of Dorothy Parker to G. K. Chesterton's epigram on Jane Austen. "She might have been protected from life," says Burrell, "but there was very little of life that was protected from Jane Austen." Burrell's exchange of person seems particularly a propos.

The real find, however, because it could so easily be overlooked, is D. H. Lawrence's long preface to Maurice Magnus' "Memoirs of the Foreign Legion" called "The Portrait of M. M."

**OFFICIAL BIG SIX SELECTION NAMES FIVE HUSKERMEN**

**Brock Picked for Center on Eleven That Counts.**

Finally the infernal din about All Big Six selections has been brought to a head. The official conference selection, which is the selection to end selections was announced today by the committee of coaches and commentators in the loop.

The aggregation supreme recognized Nebraska more than did any of the individual pickings, even those of local scribes. Five Huskers made the official eleven. Charley Brock finally clinching the much discussed center spot. He was voted not only the pivot star of the conference, but one of the most valuable men in the entire lineup.

Other Jonesmen named on the first eleven were Dohrmann at end, Shirey at tackle, Mehring at guard, and Howell at quarterback. Other than the snapperback post guard and quarterback positions presented the most controversy. Douglass, Kansas at fullback; Baer, Oklahoma, and Cleveland, Kansas State at halfbacks; Smith, Oklahoma at end; Krueger, Kansas State at tackle; and Beck, Iowa State at guard round out the all star clan.

Missouri failed to place a man on the squad while, Oklahoma and Kansas State had two, and Iowa State and Kansas, one apiece.

**Biff Boys Honored**



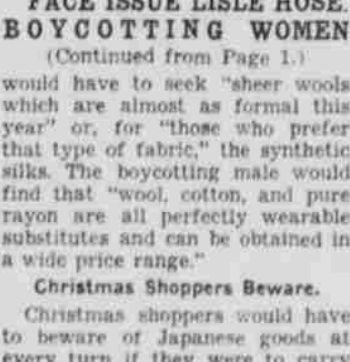
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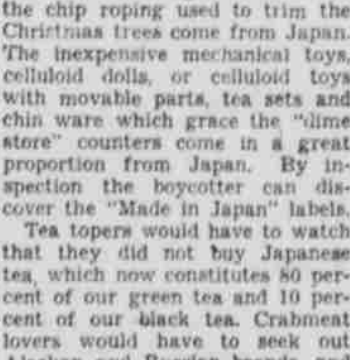
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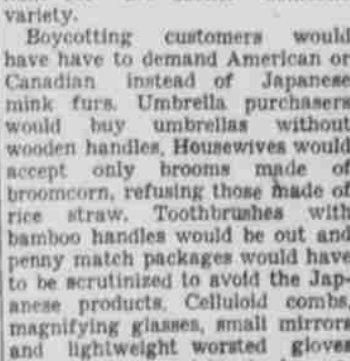
BOB MEHRING



FRED SHIREY



JOHNNY HOWELL



CHARLES BROCK

**FACE ISSUE LISLE HOSE. BOYCOTTING WOMEN**

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would have to seek "sheer wools which are almost as formal this year" or, for "those who prefer that type of fabric," the synthetic silks. The boycotting male would find that "wool, cotton, and pure rayon are all perfectly wearable substitutes and can be obtained in a wide price range."

**Christmas Shoppers Beware.**

Christmas shoppers would have to beware of Japanese goods at every turn if they were to carry out the boycott. Most of the Christmas tree lights and all of the chip roping used to trim the Christmas trees come from Japan. The inexpensive mechanical toys, celluloid dolls, or celluloid toys with movable parts, tea sets and chin ware which grace the "dime store" counters come in a great proportion from Japan. By inspection the boycotter can discover the "Made in Japan" labels.

Tea toppers would have to watch that they did not buy Japanese tea, which now constitutes 80 percent of our green tea and 10 percent of our black tea. Crabmeat lovers would have to seek out Alaskan and Russian brands, and tuna fish addicts would have to hunt for the darker domestic variety.

Boycotting customers would have to demand American or Canadian instead of Japanese mink furs. Umbrella purchasers would buy umbrellas without wooden handles. Housewives would accept only brooms made of broomcorn, refusing those made of rice straw. Toothbrushes with bamboo handles would be out and penny match packages would have to be scrutinized to avoid the Japanese products. Celluloid combs, magnifying glasses, small mirrors and lightweight worsted gloves could be purchased by the boycotter only after careful inspection that would insure him that he is securing domestic, or at least non-Japanese, products.

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**Browne Already Applying Torch to Co-Champions**

**Three First String Spots Filled by Conference Stars of 1936-37.**

Three days after he had completed final details of the football season, Coach W. H. Browne began to put the pressure on his varsity basketball squad in practice session at the coliseum yesterday afternoon.

Te varsity boys were sent thru a lengthy scrimmage of setup plays last night with everyone getting into action against this year's crop of freshmen basketballers.

**Three Spots Cinched.**

Altho three positions, Parsons at guard, Amen at forward, and Ebaugh at center, seem to be pretty well pinned down, the race for the remaining guard and forward positions is still wide open. It is still too early in the season to get any indication who will fill the positions. Working for a chance at the open forward berth are Bill Covanda, Al Merner, and Robert Elliott, minor letter winners of last year and Dow Wilson, Bruce Campbell, Kenneth Lord, Frank Tallman, Grant Thomas and Irvin Yaffe, sophomore prospects. Vieing for the guard spot are Lloyd Grimm, letterman of last year, Bruce Duncan and Max Hulbert, sophomore squad members.

Al Werner and Lloyd Grimm occupied the coveted spots for most of last night's practice but all prospects took part in the scrimmage.

Paul Amen, Lloyd Grimm and Elmer Dohrmann, football men, were given only a short workout in scrimmage and were then ordered to loaf during the rest of the practice. Dohrmann appeared on the court with his knee taped from an injury he received about the middle of the football season.

**NEWS PARADE**  
by Marjorie Churchill

**What! No Bloodshed?**

Labor's two major antagonists, William Green and Lewis, faced each other yesterday for the first time since the splitting of forces in 1935. Harrison and Murray, seconds to the principals, hovered about in the corners with the traditional wet towels and reviving no casualties occurred. The meeting was purportedly a gesture toward peace and remained peaceful throughout. Nothing definite was done, but they "had a very satisfactory and most interesting conference."

The "hate, the hail, and the blind"—they come to the seat of congress and push thru legislation on wages and hours bills. Rolling up in his wheel chair "amid a roar of cheers" Representative Mansfield yesterday registered his 218th signature on a petition to force a vote on the wages and hours bill by mid-December.

Doddering and infirm the certain branches of the government may be who oppose the administration's schemes, congress seems to be pretty good form, judging from the attacks and counter-attacks which the farm bill is arousing in both house and senate. House leaders predict passage of the bill before the week is up. The senate faces opposition on the grounds of excessive expenditures. Senator McNary attacks the "coercion" of farmers which he says will follow from the bill.

Forecasts for next week are for a paralyzing filibuster on the anti-lynch bill. Senator Van Nuys of Indiana states that he will oppose laying it aside to consider the housing bill or anything else.

Duquesne coeds are unanimous in declaring that they would not regard a man refusing to go to war as a coward, while men students prefer to be "living cowards rather than dead heroes." The Duquesne Duke, student publication, conducted the poll.

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**COMPANY F WINS ROTC INTRAMURAL LEAGUE LAURELS**

**Wibbels-Anderson Passing Combination Clicks for 19 Points.**

Company F Infantry won the League III Intramural football crown Wednesday with the aid of Wibbel's accurate passing to Lawrence Anderson which accounted for three touchdowns and a 19 to 0 victory over Company C engineers.

Actually the Wibbels to Anderson combination clicked for seven touchdowns, but four were nullified when the head line man declared that Company F men were offside on the plays in question.

**Co. E Triumphs in League II.**

The League II championship was won by Company E Infantry who outclassed Battery C Field Artillery and took a 12 to 0 decision. Quarterback Shonning of Company E intercepted a pass for the first touchdown and soon afterwards, Blshon threw a long pass to Gier for six more points.

The semifinals of the touch football tournament will be played on Tuesday at 4:30. Company E Infantry vs. Company F Infantry and Company D Engineers. The finals will be played Wednesday at 4:30. Standings at the end of league play:

League I	w	1	pt.
Company I Inf.	3	0	1600
Company A Eng.	2	1	950
Company B Inf.	1	2	333
Bat. A Field Art.	1	2	333
League II	w	1	pt.
Company E Inf.	3	1	750
Company B Eng.	2	2	500
Bat. C Field Art.	2	2	500
Company F Inf.	0	2	000
League III	w	1	pt.
Company F Inf.	2	1	750
Company A Eng.	2	2	500
Company A Inf.	1	2	333
Company H Inf.	1	2	333
League IV	w	1	pt.
Company D Inf.	3	0	1600
Company A Inf.	2	1	950
Company H Inf.	0	2	000
Company G Inf.	0	2	000

**Learnin' Vernon**



He, Vernon Neprud, has learned his lesson from the great instructor, Experience. According to teammates, the rotund 230 pound tackle broke his ankle bone bouncing bulky to the beat of the big apple, but Nep denies it. No matter what the cause, the Husker's heaviest weight met his ill fate just in time to miss any possible action in the Kaggie Turkey day squabble.

Vernon from Verdell is now hobbling on crutches as you see him above, but at the time of the Wildcat jump he was in too much pain to even ride along. He has one more year of competition and, with his great bulk, should, as the old saying goes, "go placidly."

**DON'T FORGET TO REQUEST THE BEST ROBERTS MILK**

**DR. LACKEY TO PRESIDE AT GEOGRAPHERS MEET**

Five Other Faculty Members to Attend Convention at Ann Arbor.

Dr. Earl E. Lackey, of the university geography department and president of the National Council of Geography Teachers will preside at the annual geography teachers meeting which will open Monday morning, Dec. 27, at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

Prof. Lackey has arranged an educational program, the theme being "Researches Needed in the Teaching of Geography."

The three main sessions will deal with researches needed in geography in colleges, geography in high schools, and geography in elementary schools. "Geography has a unique function in a democratic society beyond what it may mean to one living under a fascist, nazi, or communistic regime," stated the president.

**Dr. Anderson Opens Meet.**

Dr. Esther Anderson of the university will open the discussion on Monday afternoon, Frank E. Sorenson of the university will give a paper, "Geography in the Social Studies," Tuesday morning. Dr. Thomas Barton, of Normal university, Carbondale, Ill., who received his Ph. D. degree at Nebraska in 1935, will present a paper on commercial and industrial geography of the general theme.

Dr. M. A. Bengtson, Dr. William Royen, Dr. Vera Rigdon, Mr. G. D. Koch, a graduate student, and Dr. V. C. McKim of Chadron State Teachers college will attend the convention. A large number of former Nebraskans will be in attendance.

The official publication of the National Council of Geography Teachers is the Journal of Geography, a monthly magazine for teachers. Dr. Lackey is in the editorial staff.

Students are hopeful, but there's the indisputable fact that date—that is, boy plus girl—plus chaperone, equals the well known eternal triangle.

Unless, of course, boy friend brings along another man to sort of even things up.

**SEVEN LETTERMEN COME BACK TO SOONER CINDERS**

**Veteran Sprinters Return to Oklahoma Fold This Season.**

John Jacobs' Oklahoma Sooners will be a definite threat to the Cornhusker cindersmen's Big Six supremacy this year. Seven lettermen will return to the fold this year including Eddie Toribio, Big Six indoor 60 yard champion, and Granville Barrett, 440 and 880 winner of 1935.

He also has two very promising sophomores. The "prize" second year man is John Fritchard, 200 pound discus thrower, of David City, who threw the discus 168 feet, 7 inches for the best mark made in America in 1937. The other is Tom Finley, who Coach Jacobs said was a very fine sprinter.

Meanwhile the Cornhuskers are working out regularly. Harwin Dawson, a sprinter from North

**IN THE INFIRMARY**

John Hutchison, Humboldt. Charles Yount, Gering. Margaret Galbraith, Beemer.

Because the president of Georgetown college, Kentucky, has been baptized only once, he is danger of losing his job. A conservative element of the college contends that one immersion may be sufficient for a layman, but that a minister should be baptized at least twice.

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