

# The DAILY NEBRASKAN

## Grapplers begin 3-meet trip today

### Ferris picks him



**BOB SIMMONS**, Husker 440 star, was named on Dan Ferris' all-college track and field team as tops in the 440 yard hurdle event, which was recently selected by the secretary of the A. A. U.

Simmons, record holder in the Big Six indoor and outdoor quarter-mile events, won the 440 yard hurdles at the Drake Relays last spring, and the 400 meter hurdles in the junior A. A. U. meet.

Roy Cochran, Indiana, who nipped the Husker in the senior AAU 400 meter hurdle event, was named to Ferris' all-America team. Elmer Hackney, Kansas State shot putter, was named to the all-America team, as well as the all-college team.

Mrs. Ida Benfey Judd of New York City is working to have some U. S. university establish a Mark Twain award for the advancement of humor.



by June Bierbower.

Dan Ferris comes through with his all-America and all-college teams, and of note, other than the fact that Husker Bob Simmons made the all-school team at the 440 yard hurdles position, is that most of the men selected on both teams appeared and won titles at the A. A. U. meet here last summer.

A man who was named on the all-America team, but who isn't getting much publicity is Otto Kotraba. Mr. Kotraba is named as 1500 meter and 3000 meter walk champion, and he along with two other solitary figures demonstrated their wares in that heel-toe event at Lincoln. It's one of those things which, if you see a little of it, is funny, but when you see 3,000 meters of writhing, squirming and waddling done by men supposedly sober and in their right minds, it starts you to wondering about just what sport it is.

### B team to meet Dana cagers

Nebraska's "B" team travels to Blair tonight where Chili Armstrong's squad will take on Dana college, which dropped an early-season game to the Husker reserves.

Probably ten men will make the trip along with Armstrong, who will start Don Schulz, Beloit, Kansas and Cliff Hurley, Ohio, forwards; Don Pollock, Fremont, center; Leonard Van Buskirk, Worland, Wyo., and Robert Garey, Jackson High of Lincoln at guards. Leave at 4.

The team will leave at four o'clock this afternoon, and will be making its first start since the "B's" suffered a drubbing at the hands of Tarkio college two weeks ago.

Leading the attack for Coach Rufus Olson's Blair team will be Robert Jensen, little guard, who paced them against the "B's" when the teams played at the Nebraska coliseum.

Northwestern university received more than \$9,000,000 in gifts during 1939.

Almost totally blind since the age of 10, a Keuka college student has written a new psychology book in Braille.

### Gymnastics team opens with invasion of Minnesota

Coach Charley Miller is working his gymnastics team in preparation for the start of the season, when the Huskers will go into four stiff meets in the course of three days.

The Huskers travel to Minnesota, and Feb. 22 meet Illinois at Minneapolis. The same night they compete in the Northwest national championships there. The next night they meet Carleton college at Northfield, and Feb. 24 they go against Minnesota at Minneapolis.

There will be no home meets unless the match set tentatively March 15 against Southern Illinois State Normal of Carbondale, is arranged.

The Huskers will defend their Rocky Mountain A. A. U. championship at Denver March 2, after having faced the Greeley Teachers at Greeley, Colorado, the previous day, and Colorado at Boulder on February 29.

Slated for sure, though, is the high school meet in March, at which Husker varsity gymnasts will be judges. Sixteen schools have entered thus far, and five events will be run off.

Miller, who has coached the

Huskers every season but one since the sport was started here in 1935 has picked a varsity squad of 8 from 20 candidates.

**One vet gone**  
Don Seidel of Columbus was the only letterman lost by graduation, while returning are Roy Proffitt, Hastings, the team's star last year; Stan Southwick, Friend, Jake Geier, Lincoln; Gaius Cadwell, Broken Bow, all lettermen. Ray Griffin, Hershey, who was with the squad last year, has been bothered with injuries.

Guy Johnson, Hemingford, Harold Buxton, Wahoo, and Abe Grossman, Lincoln, are this year's newcomers, and Miller is counting on Johnson, who won last year's university all around championship, to gather in lots of points for the Huskers.

Nebraska, the only team in the Big Six has won the Rocky Mountain AAU three times and tied for it once. Up until this year no Nebraska high school had sponsored the sport, and hardly any had had equipment, although this spring's prep tourney has aroused interest in the sport to a high degree.

### Wrestlers take five days east

#### Eight mat men match with Michigan, Illini, Chicago this weekend

Eight "rattle" men, comprising Jerry Adam's varsity wrestling team, are eastward bound today, headed for five days of grappling and facing three formidable schools.

Tomorrow the Michigan State team at East Lansing plays host to the Huskers. Chicago university at Chicago comes Friday and Illinois at Urbana Saturday.

Captaining the team for the first test is Heavyweight Gridman George Seeman, and Ray Tomes, who enters at 155 pounds, will captain the team against Chicago. Milt Kuska takes the lead against Illinois.

**Last one the toughest.**  
The last meet will probably be the toughest, according to the wrestlers. Illinois finished fourth in the national collegiate tests last year.

The Huskers lost to the men of Urbana last year, 23 to 6, and did not meet Michigan or Chicago.

Tomes dropped down from the 165 pound class to fill the 155 pound vacancy. Dale Ruser will take his place in the heavier division.

Other wrestlers making the trip are George Cockle, 136; Ed McConnell, 138; Newt Copple, 145; Al Mulliken, 175. They'll return Sunday.

### Williams advises extension works

Aubrey Williams, National Youth administrator, in an official bulletin issued to NYA supervisors throughout the country recommends for NYA use the extension courses prepared by the university. Williams points out that the life enrichment courses developed here

### Elwyn Dees, new NU trainer to come soon



Journal & Star.

**ELWYN DEES**, Nebraska's new head trainer, is expected to arrive in Lincoln early next week to take over his duties with the Husker athletic department.

Dees, former Kansas U. shot putting star, was head trainer at Pittsburgh U last fall, but wanted to establish himself permanently in the middlewest, and was selected for the Husker post.

He acquired his skill under Dr. Forrest C. Allen, KU's basketball coach, who himself is a graduate osteopath. Three former Allen pupils are head trainers at Texas, Harvard and West Point.

Dees, during his collegiate career, was the Big Six's best shot putter, and once held the national interscholastic record, which he established at high school in Reserve, Kansas.

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