

Three New Marks?

Disc, Shot, High Jump Endangered

... Here Saturday
BY HENRY FISHBACK.

Three Big Six outdoor track and field records in the discus, shot put and high jump, face possible death at the conference cinder finals in Memorial stadium Saturday afternoon—if topflight spiksters perform up to their season's headlines.

Midwest's top weight specialists, Howie Debus and Missouri's Elmer Aussieker, season-long demonstrations point to possible new records in the shot put and discus competition, while performances of a brilliant young Kansas newcomer, Tom Scofield, are good enough to shatter a ten-year old high jump mark.

Debus Set.

Debus, defending javelin champion has propelled the discus past Edsel Wibbell's 160 foot 5 1/2 in. record several times this year. Aussieker, defending iron ball champ, flipped over 51 feet last week, inches short of Elmer Hackney's 51 foot 10-inch effort. Schofield has already cracked the old 6 foot 3 3/4-in. high jump record, in several efforts.

Three other defending champions put their titles on the block Saturday. Mercury-gear Owen Joggerst, Missouri sprinter defends his century laurels.

Owen's 9.6-century mark and 21.4s furlong tend him edge over speedy teammate Joe Shy, defending low hurdle timber hopper. Debus bids well to maintain javelin supremacy, but Dean Lill, K-State high jump king and Ken Farris, Oklahoma broad jumper are slated here for defeat.

Missouri Favored.

Although the presence of a dazzling flock of all-round cinderists rate Missouri a definite edge, several individual duels are slated to blossom forth.

Massive Elmer Aussieker clashes with Victor Schleich in a three year old shot put duel. The two weighsters have met twelve times over the period with Aussieker now in front with seven wins.

More excitement will be furnished by the Debus-Gast javelin duel, the Joggerst-Shy sprint compet, and the Farris-Alexander broad jump mix-up.

Top distance race is the half mile derby where Husker freshmen Dean Kratz and Creighton Hale meet such vets as Johns, K-State; teammate Tom Brogan, and Bosworth of Missouri.

Husker Have Edge.

Weir-tutored clubs boast eight outdoor championships of fourteen held, having held supreme since 1939. The Huskers possess five out of fourteen conference marks, oldest one being Roland Locke's furlong record set in 1926.

OU Athletes Enter Service

NORMAN, Okla., May 4.—Of 238 former University of Oklahoma sports lettermen now in the armed forces, 91.5 percent are either commissioned or non-commissioned officers, a survey shows.

More than 77.7 percent of the total are commissioned officers with at least the rank of second lieutenant in the army or ensign in the navy. The survey did not include 35 additional "O" winners who are now flying cadets and soon will be commissioned.

Sooner freshmen athletes and unlettered squad men swell the total of Sooner athletes now in the service to more than 400.

Former Sooner polo players make the best officer material with wrestlers second, the report showed.

AGR, Phi Delts Meet in Finals

... Fijis, Taus Fall

BY GENE SHERMAN.

Alpha Tau Omega unofficially annexed the Jack Best trophy on the university practice greens Tuesday afternoon.

When the second-place Phi Gam crew fell, 15 to 2, before a fine Phi Delt club, the leading ATOs were assured of the title, tho they lost by 3 to 2 to an inspired AGR crew.

Ahead of the intramural Jack Best pack by 27 points, the Alpha Tau athletes can now even drop their consolation match with the Jiji nine and annex the award.

Top match of the two semi-final frays was the tight AGR-ATO fray. Leading 3 to 0 going into the final frame on Don Monson's early homer, the AGRs had to cope with an ATO rally. Bill Munson walked, then Dick Petring hit to the far right field for a homer. Score

stood 3 to 2, but AGR hurler Marv Monson forced the next two Taus to pop out.

Warren Barth and Kenny Maser shared honors for the Phi Delts. Maser pitched another of his masterpieces—a two-hit job this time—to keep the big Fiji bats under control. Barth homered with the bases full in the second to give the Phi Delts an early margin which the Fiji club could not survive.

Alpha Tau Omega outhit the AGR's 6 to 2, but crucial errors led to defeat. It was the initial defeat for Kenny Elson, an ROTC "active" who was not slated to perform.

Finale fray for the title between the AGRs and Phi Delts will be executed Thursday at 5 p. m. The Fiji-ATO consolation fray is slated for 5 p. m. Thursday also.

Horse Sense

By Norris Anderson
Sports Editor



Meet Jack Best ...

All this thunder and fury of the tight intramural chase brings up the query: Who is Jack Best?

Fraternity athletes have been battling in all sports for leadership in the race for the Jack Best trophy since late September. There is no better fraternity rushing point than a Best trophy on the shelf.

Faithful, white-headed Jack Best served as University of Nebraska trainer from origination of sports here until far into the twentieth century era. Despite the fact that he was no youth when he started, Best outlasted five Cornhusker coaches.

He mothered Scarlet athletes like the original old lady in a shoe and was as mellow as old U hall. Jack was the University of Nebraska, the very spirit of Cornhuskerland.

And so did the Jack Best trophy come into being.

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There is a word for courage in the athletic dictionary—vulgarly it's guts, scholastically it's intestinal fortitude.

Ed Weir's slender distance trotter, Jim Brogan, has the requisite, be it scholastically or vulgarly termed. Husker trackmen at Iowa State returned with a glowing account of the vet endurance runner.

"You have to hand it to Jim," said Don James, pole vault co-winner with Debus at Ames. "He ran his heart out in that mile. Richardson barely beat him in 4:27.8. Then 'Brog' came back not long after to run a nice third in the two-mile. He collapsed completely at the tape and kept murmuring something about just one more lap to go."

If more current Cornhusker athletes had Brogan's spirit, emblematic of past Scarlet enthusiasm, our all-round athletic status at the moment would still be ace-high.

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A request on the desk today for a list of present American college records is herewith granted.

100-yd. dash, 9.4s, Simpson, Ohio State, 1929; Meier, Iowa State, 1930; Wykoff, Southern California, 1930; Metcalfe, Marquette, 1933; Owens, Ohio State, 1935; Jeffrey, Stanford, 1940.

220-yd. dash, 20.3s, Owens, Ohio State, 1935.

440-yd. run, 46.4s, Klemmer, California, 1941.

880-yd. run, 1m. 49.8s., Burrowes, Princeton, 1940.

1-mile run, 4m., 6.7s, Cunningham, Kansas, 1934.

2-mile run, 9m., 2.6s., Rice, Notre Dame, 1939.

120-yd. hurdles, 13.7s, Wolcott, Rice, 1940.

220-yd. hurdles, 22.6s, Owens, Ohio State, 1935.

16-lb. shot, 56ft., 1/2 in., Blozis, Georgetown, 1940.

16-lb. hammer, 183ft., 10in., Bennett, Maine, 1940.

Javelin, 234 ft., 3 1/2 in., Peoples, South California, 1941.

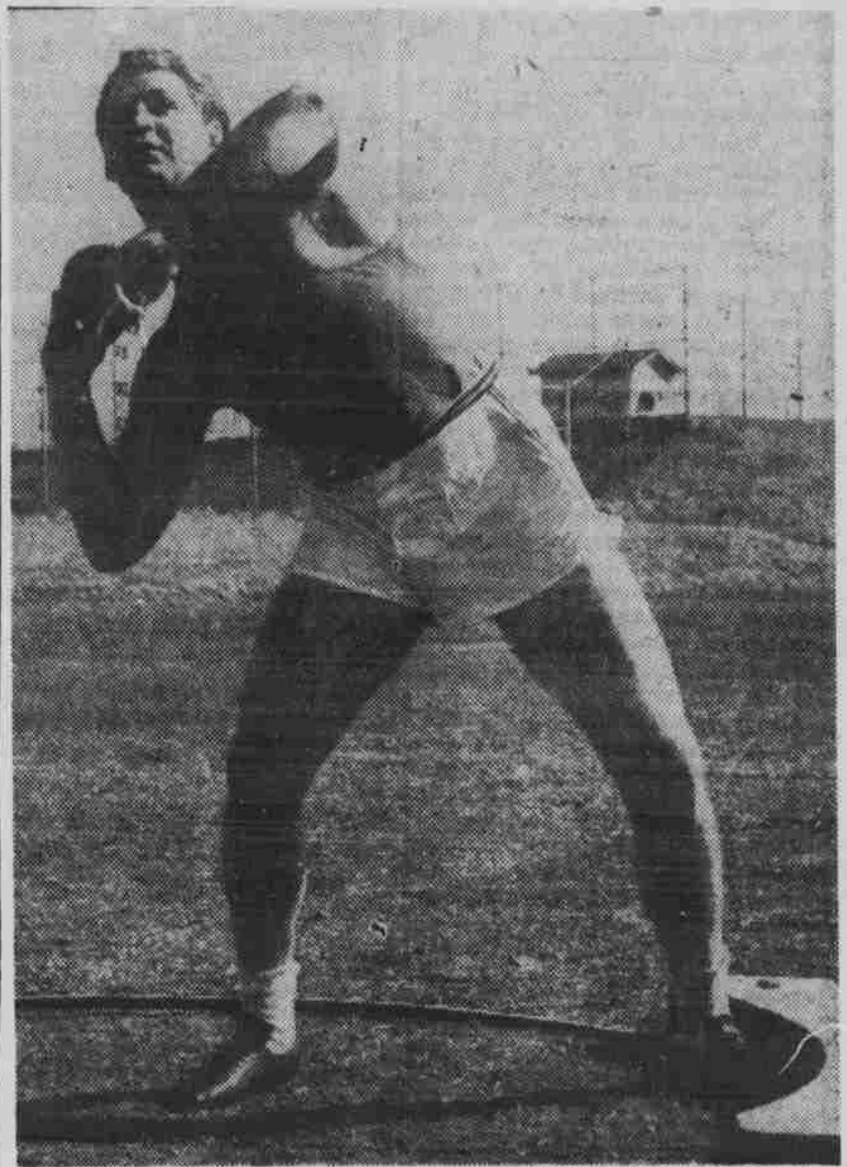
High jump, 6ft., 11in., Steers, Oregon, 1941.

Broad jump, 26ft., 8 1/4 in., Owens, Ohio State, 1935.

Discus, 174ft., 8 3/4 in., Harris, Indiana, 1941.

Pole vault, 14ft., 11in., Meadows, Southern California, 1937; Sefton, Southern California, 1937.

'Just Elmer's Tune ...'



Courtesy of Lincoln Journal.

Elmer Aussieker, burly Mizzou shot putter, is pictured tossing the pellet 51-7 here in a triangular last week-end. Husker Vic Schleich tossed slightly over 50 feet to top Aussieker in the recent Big Six indoor, but expects to have his hands full with the Missouri here Saturday. Aussieker topped Vic during the 1943 Drake relays.

Sooner Underclassmen May Surprise UN for Second

BY HAROLD KIETH
(Nebraskan Correspondent)

NORMAN, Okla., May 4.—Like sprouts burgeoning from an old stump, Oklahoma's track and field Kindergarten has begun to show improvement as it points for its final action of the 1943 season, the Big Six outdoor meet May 8 at Lincoln, Neb.

John Jacobs, veteran Sooner mentor, has had to do more A to Z coaching this spring than ever before in his 21-year career at Norman, and despite the fact they've been plowed and harrowed by practically every track and field team in the midlands, his young Sooners are at last begin-

ning to come around.

From a bewildered outfit that scored only a scant 5 points in the Big Six Indoor at Kansas City last February 27, Jacobs hopes to see his Oklahoma entry tally close to 25 points in the Big Six outdoor. The Sooners may even have an outside shot at third place in this meet which would constitute a fine showing for a squad that lost 80 percent of its 1941 and 1942 strength to the armed forces and defense industry.

Missouri, which returns most of its last year's veterans, ran off with the indoor championship and is highly favored to repeat the operation outdoors.

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