

Sharpe Drills 80 Candidates For Opener

With the season's opener only two weeks away, Coach Tony Sharpe is working with nearly 80 candidates for the 1948 Husker baseball team.

The diamond men were unable to practice outside until late in the week. Southern Methodist will be the first Husker foe, March 29-30, at Dallas, Tex.

Twelve Lettermen.

Twelve returning lettermen are brightening the hopes that the weather has darkened. Only the first base position is short of experienced material. With the withdrawal from school of Thurman Wright, this position is left shy. Lettermen Butch Mathews, Natick, Mass., who played in the outfield last spring; Bob Schleiger, Omaha, and Norbert Tiemann, Campbell, are promising hopefuls.

The Huskers are deep in the pitching spot with Elroy Golystein, Waco, expected to be the mainstay. He won three and lost one last year and struck out 28 men in 33 innings. Elroy is a sophomore and a letterman. Jim Sandstedt, Omaha, who was injured but saw limited service; Angelo Ossino, Omaha; Sterling Van Vleck, Neligh; Jim Sharp, Omaha, and Jack Helmsing, Omaha, are bidding for permanent opening stints.

Outfield Veterans.

In the outfield, several veterans return. Fritz Hegwood, Omaha, was the leading hitter last year with .436; Bob Cerv, Weston, who smashed seven home runs in 13 games; Wesley Maser, Lincoln, a .306 hitter, and Harland Powley, Pender, one of the squad's top defensive players, are the leading contenders.

The Huskers open their Big Seven schedule at Oklahoma, April 2-3. The opening home games are April 16 and 17 against Kansas State.



CHAMPIONS—Shown above are the eight Intramural boxing champs and the coach of the championship team, Sigma Phi Epsilon. Left to right: Bob Edwards, 165; Don Svoboda, heavyweight; Del Roth, 135; Jerry Hull, 145; Gerald Ferguson, 175; Dwight Byers, Sig Ep coach; Tom Loisel, 155; Ray Roth, 125; and Dan Chaney, 130.

Eight Boxing Kings Crowned Friday Night

Eight Intramural boxing champions were crowned Friday night in the final round of the all-university championships.

Two champions from last year's tournament lost their crowns in the finals. Don Thiel, defending 135-pound champ, lost by default to Del Roth. Thiel received an injury in a wood working class and was unable to fight.

Hull Dethrones Skochdopole

Bob Skochdopole was the other defending king to drop his final bout. Jerry Hull of Ashland, took a close decision to win the championship.

In one of the feature bouts of the evening, Don Svoboda of Lincoln, fighting for the Wheels, outpointed Francis Mandula, Sigma Chi from Youngstown, Ohio, to win the heavyweight title. Mandula had things his own way the first round, but Svoboda came back in the second and third rounds to take the decision.

Tom Loisel, Sig Ep from West Point, won the 155-pound title by decisioning his team mate, Keith Cossairt from Papillion. The 125-pound bout also pitted two members of the same team against each other. Ray Roth from Memphis and Bill Coffey from Rushville both represented the Wheels

in that bout. Roth took a decision to win the crown.

Sig Eps Retain Championship

Sigma Phi Epsilon retained its team championship with a total of 126 points. Delta Upsilon took the second-place trophy in the interfraternity division with 56 points, while the Wheels were the top independent team with 83 points. Dwight Byers Sig Ep coach

was presented the championship trophy.

125 pounds: Ray Roth (Wheels) decisioned Bill Coffey (Wheels).
130 pounds: Dan Chaney (Independents) decisioned Derald May (DU).
135 pounds: Del Roth (Beta) won from Don Thiel (DU) by default.
145 pounds: Jerry Hull (Phi Gam) decisioned Bob Skochdopole (Sig Ep).
155 pounds: Tom Loisel (Sig Ep) decisioned Keith Cossairt (Sig Ep).
165 pounds: Bob Edwards (Wheels) decisioned Gene Hennek (ATO).
175 pounds: Gerald Ferguson (Sig Chi) decisioned Keith Lytle (Beta).
Heavyweight: Don Svoboda (Wheels) decisioned Francis Mandula (Sig Chi).

Iowa U Wins Rifle Tourney; Nebraska 2nd

Iowa University swept both the individual and team titles in the National Intercollegiate rifle tournament held on the Andrews Hall range Saturday.

Three Iowa City sharpshooters, Charles Rogler, John Rohner and William Voelckers, finished first, second and third, respectively, in the individual shooting. Rogler fired 282 out of possible 300. Rohner and Voelckers fired 277 and 274, respectively.

Palmer Tops Nebraskans

Walt Palmer from Westfield, N. J., was the top man on Sgt. Lovvold's Nebraska team. Palmer fired 273 for fourth place in the individual firing. Herb Miller from Omaha fired 268 for second place among Nebraska shooters.

Nebraska No. 1 finished second behind Iowa in the team firing. The Nebraska squad was composed of Miller, Palmer, Jim Popple Casper, Wyo., Gerald Roesler, Tobias, and William Brandt, Unadilla.

Nebraska No. 2 placed third, and Creighton finished last. Oherle, Radke, Goeres, Potash and Harris were the Nebraska shooters.

Eleven other tournaments are being held throughout the country to determine the 1948 champions.

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