

Traveling Along The Sports Trail

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I'm not usually a banner-waving, mouth-foaming crusader. I don't get excited at political rallies or advocate the lynching of my landlord, but again last Saturday something happened that made my stomach boil.

The University Innocents Society picked 13 new members at the Ivy Day ceremonies and not one of them was a Husker athlete. What is the trouble? Don't athletes participate in enough so-called activities?

This is not something new for this society. It all started in 1882 when a fellow by the name of Bobby Reynolds was not selected as an Innocent. Reynolds was only an All-American for the University in football, had better-than-average grades and was popular with the student body. Why did he miss?

Since that time there have been many others who should have been members of Innocents that just never seemed to be chosen by these men.

Some of these were Bob Oberlin, the standout center for three years on the football team, an outstanding engineering student, and a person picked by sportswriters all over the United States for scholastic All-American honors; Jim Cederdahl, the fine baseballer and well-liked campus leader; Jim Hofstetter, pole-vaulter deluxe; Gary Renzelmen, Dave Gradwohl and Norm Veltzer. There are many more too numerous to mention at this time.

If a Cornhusker athlete who spends something like 15 hours a week in any sport can maintain even average grades and is also well-liked by the majority of students, isn't he doing as much good for your University as being in all sorts of "busy work" activities. If not, the definition of the phrase, "service to your University" should be explained to many on this campus who feel the same way about this problem as this writer.

We are not trying to degrade the 13 men selected Saturday. The majority of these are an honor to Nebraska, but it's just the idea that someone has to be in at least five of these "busy work" activities before he is hardly considered for this group.

In our opinion if a fellow who makes All-American for a University, a fellow who can vault near 14 feet or a fellow who is considered one of the finest baseballers in the Big Seven, isn't the caliber of men they want in this Innocents Society, then this group should hang up their red robes.

Another suggestion is to make clear to the students at Nebraska that these 13 are picked mostly on activities, which hurts the athletes because they are trying to earn their N, which is rated higher than any office in activities.

The whole situation is somewhat of a laugh. The popular concept of this campus is that these 13 men each year are the top fellows in categories such as leadership, popularity, athletics, scholarship and activities.

As is true of many other mixed up things around Nebraska nothing will probably be done to correct this wrong. If this society has enough time in between their "busy work" activities and supervising Ivy Day next year, the recommendation of considering some outstanding athletes might help put this society back where it should be on the Nebraska campus.

Athletes, who conduct themselves like gentlemen and are also outstanding in the field of sports, will and are still the top men of Nebraska's campus even though they may not wear the red robes or walk around Ivy Day with a scowling face.

Everything is not quiet on the Nebraska front, especially when many know that in recent years many prominent athletes were "passed over" by the Innocents.

A few athletes may be in panty raids, have low scholarship, and not dress according to college standards, but in our opinion the majority are the finest group a person cares to have as acquaintances.

We wonder what would happen if some Nebraska athletes made All-American three years, kept over a six average, and was popular with the students? Would he be an Innocent?

The comments in the Ivy Day Racing Form would probably say—"Terrific person, but chances slim, having not spent enough time for the University in the activities circle."

A change is needed and the quicker the better. Quote of the Week: "In life as in baseball, it's the number of times you reach home safely that really counts." (Poster on wall of local restaurant).



Nebraska Photo By Bob Baker

Flying Finish

Breaking the tape with a grimace, Graves of Iowa State (right) wins the 100-yard dash with a time of 10.4 in the dual meet Friday. Brien Hendricksen of Nebraska (center) was second and Philmon (left) of Iowa State was third in the closest race of the afternoon.

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Iowa State Smothers Huskers In Track Friday As Two Dual Meet Records Fall

By BRUCE BRUGMANN Sports Editor

Two dual meet records toppled Friday afternoon as the Iowa State Cyclones raced by Nebraska, 80 1-3 to 50 2-3, on the scorched, wind-blown cinders of Memorial Stadium.

Jousting continually with unpredictable gusts of wind, Cyclones Ken Mallis and Harold Mullison cleared the 15-year-old pole vault mark by a scant three-quarters of an inch. The twosome each left the crossbar standing at 13 1/4, bettering Harold Hunt's 13-foot mark set in 1940.

For Mallis the 13-foot plus effort was the first time this year he topped the 13-foot strata. Mullison, who took second place in the Drake Relays with a 13-4 arc, did not attempt to equal this height here. Jim Hofstetter and Al Aden tied with Fellingner of Iowa State for third place.

A lone Husker and two Iowa Staters erased the high jump record, all three trying for first with leaps of 6-2 1/4 to better the

old standard of 6-1 1/4 erected by Bill Schnaske of Iowa State in 1940. Jim Stewart and Bob Clark of Iowa State and Nebraska's Stan Matzke combined forces to establish the new meet record.

Matzke, a retired athlete from the basketball team, has only been working out with Jerry Lee's trackmen for a week and a half. On practice nights he has cleared 6-3 1/4 and barely nudged the bar off at 6-5.

Only Three Firsts The Huskers could squeeze out only three firsts as Iowa State snapped up an early lead and were never headed or seriously threatened.

Lee Carter ambled to victory in the two-mile run with a slow 10:44.2 hampered considerably by the heat and strong crosswinds. Dick Watson, recently recovered from a siege of flu in Student Health, pulled in second place for the Huskers.

Leonard Rosen won his first first place of the year in the discus with a parabola of 138-10 1/2.



Nebraska Photo By Le Roy Marguetti LEONARD ROSEN . . . First in discus.

He also took second place in the shot put.

Brien Hendricksen, clipped off a fine 22.8 against the wind, captured first place in the 220 and just missed the tape behind Graves in the 100-yard dash.

By far the best of the afternoon was the mile relay. Coach Jerry Lee started Hendricksen who normally nailed down the anchor leg, hoping to get a short lead. However, Hendricksen fell three strides off the pace before he passed the baton to Bob Nieman. Nieman, suffering slightly from heat prostration, caught the Cyclone second man at the near turn and handed the stick to Bob Anderson with a slight lead.

Grandfield of Iowa State overcame Anderson in the backstretch to put the Cyclones into a lead which John Stodgell, who had earlier spun a good 48.4 quarter, never relinquished. However, Clarence Gibson barreled around the close turn in magnificent fashion to push the speedy Iowa Stater to the wire.

Strong, unpredictable gusts prevented faster times in most events. Stodgell's time in the quarter was the best mark posted during the hot afternoon.



Nebraska Photo By Bob Baker STAN MATZKE . . . In first meet, ties the dual high jump record.

Jordan, Dawson Rate High Nebraska Places Second In Annual Rifle Tourney

Sharpshooters from the Colorado School of Mines at Golden, Colorado, won the second annual University Invitational Gallery (rifle shooting) Championship Saturday. NU was runner-up to the crack Colorado squad. Iowa State was

third, and the University of Kansas placed fourth. In the individual championship, Ron Dawson of Nebraska walked off with top honors. Dave Mosman of Nebraska took second followed by Robert Baile of Colorado Mines.

Baile set a new tournament record with 479 out of 500 points to win the Grand Championship. Paul Jordan and Ron Dawson, both of Nebraska, won second and third.



Nebraska Photo By Le Roy Marguetti On The Tee

Jack Moore, Husker golfer, rifles his opening drive straight down the fairway in the meet with Wichita Saturday. Nebraska lost the meet, 7-5, as Fritz Probst of the Kansases rapped out a 71 for medalist honors. Dick Lauer and John Butterfield were the only two Huskers to win their matches.

Bridge, Chess, Table Tennis Winners Told

Winners of the annual bridge, ping pong and chess tournaments were announced at the Union birthday party Friday evening.

Jimm Aitken, Mary Knorr, Allen Kaudan and John Turney were awarded certificates as regional winners of the National Intercollegiate Bridge tournament.

Huskers Face MU Friday

BIG SEVEN STANDINGS			
Team	W	L	Pct.
Nebraska	4	2	.667
Oklahoma	3	3	.500
Iowa State	2	4	.333
Missouri	2	4	.333
Colorado	1	5	.167
Kansas State	1	5	.167
Kansas	0	6	.000

The Nebraska baseball team, fighting for the Big Seven championship, will meet defending NCAA titleholder Missouri Friday and Saturday in Lincoln for a crucial two game series.

The Huskers have a 6-2 conference slate, splitting a two game series with Iowa State and Oklahoma during a home stand last week.

HITTING AVERAGES					
Name	AB	R	H	BI	Avg.
Don Brown	61	20	30	21	.492
Bill Giles	61	13	28	18	.459
Jim Cederdahl	64	22	24	24	.375
Dick Geier	5	3	3	4	.375
Norman Coufal	57	12	21	16	.368
Dirkos Tolston	62	15	22	7	.355
Don Backer	50	16	15	13	.350
Murray Backhaus	45	11	18	10	.329
Willie Greenlaw	35	7	10	6	.286
Dick Olson	26	3	6	4	.231
Dennis Korhek	42	6	8	4	.174
Roger Buttorff	4	0	1	0	.147
Frank Hofmaier	31	3	2	3	.154
Don Erway	9	1	1	0	.111
John Braddock	3	1	0	0	.000
Merv Aronoff	8	0	0	0	.000
Brian Steven	0	0	0	0	.000

Don Langdon Elected Head Of Phi Epsilon

Donald Langdon was elected president of Phi Epsilon Kappa, professional physical education fraternity for men, at a recent meeting.

Other new officers are Jack Ward, vice president; Ronnie Noel, secretary; Donald Burling, treasurer; Jerry Landwehr, historian-editor; Roger Bohansea, guide, and Sylvester Harris, sergeant-at-arms.

Jaime G. Geier, assistant professor of physical education, was selected as faculty sponsor to replace Bob Hamblit who has accepted a position in Grand Island as director of physical education.

Receiving the distinguished service award was Bert Linn, past president of Phi Epsilon Kappa.

Wildcats Whitewash Nebraska Tennis Team

Kansas State whitewashed the Huskers in tennis, 7-0, on the University courts Monday.

Nebraska could muster only one set as Steve Sutton rapped Wildcat Dick Circle, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

Track Meet

100—Won by Mancy (IS). 2—Carter (N). 2—L. Graves (IS). Time—1:07.9. 440—Won by Stodgell (IS). 2—Dreyer (IS). 2—E. Gibson (N). Time—4:04. 100—Won by D. Graves (IS). 2—Hendricksen (N). 3—Phillips (IS). Time—1:12.4. High hurdles—Won by Marshall (IS). 2—Olson (N). 2—D. Gibson (N). Time—25.3. 400—Won by Matzke (IS). 2—Ormers (N). 1—Erick (N). Time—1:50.1. 220—Won by Hendricksen (N). 2—D. Graves (IS). 3—Stodgell (IS). Time—22.8. 2-Mile—Won by Carter (N). 2—Watson (N). 3—Cushman (IS). Time—10:44.2. Low hurdles—Won by Lane (IS). 2—Olson (N). 3—Gibson (N). Time—25.3. Mile relay—Won by Iowa State (I). Graves, L. Graves, Grandfield, Stodgell. Time—8:33.1.

FIELD EVENTS

High jump—Tie for first between Scoville (IS), Clark (IS) and Matzke (N) at 6-2 1/4. (Scoville record of 6-2 1/4 by Schnaske (IS) in 1941). Shot put—Won by Nelson (IS). 2—Rosen (N). 3—Voder (IS). Distance—47-6 1/2. Javelin—Won by Muehlenhauser (IS). 2—D. Gibson (N). 3—Roberts (N). Distance—162-7 1/2. Discus—Won by Rosen (N). 2—Voder (IS). 3—Muehlenhauser (IS). Distance—138-10 1/2. Breast jump—Won by Phillmon (IS). 2—Keller (N). 3—Lane (IS). Distance—28-3 1/2. Pole vault—Tie for first between Mallen (IS) and Stodgell (IS); tie for third between Fellingner (IS), Hofstetter (N), Aden (N). Height—33-4. Brooks record of 33 set by Hunt of Nebraska in 1940.

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The Big Leaguer St. Louis Cardinals Picked As Darkhorse

As the month of April is slowly torn from the calendar and the baseball season is in full bloom, the experts are beginning to put their reputations on the line in predicting the top team in the respective leagues.

In the American they seem to foresee a three team struggle between the New York Yankees, Cleveland Indians and the Chicago White Sox, with the Yanks given the nod. However, the situation is different in the senior circuit, with all teams but the Chicago Cubs and Pittsburgh Pirates given a chance.

However, the opinion of the experts seems to predict that the Milwaukee Braves and Brooklyn Dodgers will be the top two with the 1954 pennant-winning Giants a close third. But a darkhorse seems to loom in the National League, a team that could upset the apperant.

St. Louis Cardinals . . .

This darkhorse that I am referring to is the St. Louis Cardinals. As a team last year, they led both leagues in batting with a respectable .285. But one item barricaded them from finishing in first place, their pitching. As a result, they finished a dismal sixth, 27 games off the Giants pace.

The bulk of their mound staff fell on the shoulders of two hurlers, Harvey Haddix with an 18-13 mark and Brooks Lawrence with a 15-5 record. Haddix, a 20-game winner in '53 was so overworked in the stretch last year that he faltered in the late stages. Lawrence, the big righthander, didn't join the mound staff until the middle of June.

Strong Pitching Corps . . .

But this year the story could be different. Besides Haddix and Lawrence, manager Eddie Stanky has been getting some top pitching from Tom Poholsky plus rookies Larry Jackson, Lou Arroyo and Gordon Jones.

From the relief staff, rookies Bobby Tiefenhauer and Herb Morford, plus the veterans Frank Smith and Palu LaPalme have brought delight to the Cardinals. Smith was acquired this year in a deal that sent Gerry Staley and Ray Jablonski to the Cincinnati Redlegs.

Turning to the infield, one of baseball's greatest, Stan Musial is at first base, the switch-hitting Red Schoendienst at second, Alex Grammas at shortstop and rookie Ken Boyer at third.

Redbird Outfield . . .

In the Redbird outfield is Rip Repulski, in left, currently leading the NL in batting, last year's Rookie-of-the-Year Wally Moon in center, and yearling Bill Virdon in right.

On the utility side is Solly Hemus, Harry Elliot, Tom Alston, Joe Frazier and Joe Cunningham.

In the catching department is Del Rice and Bill Sarni. Sarni took over for Rice last year when Del was injured and 114 games hit an even 300.

The Cards have started out strong this year and Redbird fans are hoping this is the year. It could be.

IM Spring Golf Scores Held Up

Results of the second round matches of the intramural spring golf tournament played Saturday I have been held up due to some question concerning their validity. These results will be listed in a later edition of The Nebraskan.

NU Athletes Needed To Sell Concessions

All athletes are urged to report to Room 109 of the Coliseum if they intend to sell concessions at the State High School Track Meet this weekend. According to A. F. Klein, University concessions director, many sellers will be needed.

ament will be held Tuesday, May 24, at the PE building. Entries will be due by May 23rd, at 5:00 p.m. all equipment will be furnished by the PE department, or the contestant may use his own. The events are three targets at varying distances, with 30 trials or casts at each target. The three casters having the highest total scores will be awarded intramural medals.

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