

ATO's Win B Crown:

Chemists Repeat As All-University Kings; Prokop Leads 37-31 Win Over Hitchcock

By BOB WIRZ Staff Sports Writer Chemists successfully defended their All-University basketball title Friday night as they defeated Hitchcock "A" from Sellaek Quad by a score of 37 to 31.

the defending champs out in front with their long set shots. Then the Sellaek five were forced to move their defense out and that left the middle open for big Bob Prokop to work around.

scoring, Clarence Cook, another foot ball player was clearing the boards for Hitchcock.

The second half the Chemists caught fire and stretched their lead behind the shooting of Prokop and Duane Strandburg. Strandburg hit two thirty foot set shots and Prokop was working around the key-hole.

With a 9 point lead near the end of the third period, the Chem team lost big Jack Peterson, their 6-2 center, via the foul route.

Bob Svehla soon moved the Hitchcock team back into contention with his outside work but time was running out.

Two more buckets by Prokop and it was all over but the shouting. Cook dumped in four points in the final minute but the damage had already been done.

Prokop fouled out in the final minute.

The big guy led the Chemists in scoring with 11 points while Allen had nine, Snyder six and Strandburg five.

Cook and Prusia topped Hitchcock with 11 and 9 points respectively. Svehla had eight and Lane Birkel the team captain and coach had three while playing a good floor game.

Eugene Gross and Loyd Castner did a good job of officiating the

final game of the intramural season.

Hitchcock won the right to meet the Chemists Friday night when they defeated a good Sigma Chi team 37-34. Almost the entire contest was played with Hitchcock leading by two to four points. Prusia led the Sellaek Champs with 17 points, Bill O'Brien, Harry Tolly and Ben Leonard led Sigma Chi champions.

Alpha Tau Omega "B" won the All-University title in this class. They nipped Hitchcock "B" in the final seconds of a thriller 35-34 in another Friday night game. Hitchcock "B" led most of the way in this game but a last minute basket spelled the difference.

Freshman Don Kleiber paced the ATO five and Marv Miller led the losers.

All of these games were played as preliminary contests at the Nebraska High School Basketball Tournament.

Watch Tuesday's Rag

Watch tomorrow's Daily Nebraskan for the 1957 All Big Seven All Star Team.

Balloting this year was carried out on a general basis. All member schools of the conference were asked to take part, as was the KNUS Sports Staff.

Yankee Trade Should Help:

A's Picked For Eighth; Cerv Gets Big Chance

By BOB WIRZ Staff Sports Writer Kansas City has the new look this season but the heavy turnover in talent isn't expected to be enough to lift them from the American League cellar.

More depth in the infield and outfield appear to be manager Lou Boudreau's only hopes. Nine men are bidding for infield spots but Boudreau plans to cut this down to six or possibly seven men. Vic

Billy Hunter and Joe DeMaestri are battling it out for the shortstop job. Hunter also was acquired in the deal with the Yankees and DeMaestri was at short for KC last year. Hunter appears to have a slight edge both in hitting and in fielding.

The outfield will probably consist of Bob Cerv, Harry Simpson, and either Jim Pisoni or Lou Skiz Cerv another ex-Yankee is finally to get a good chance to become a big league regular. Simpson had a good year with the A's in 1956 hitting .283 and driving in 105 runs. The third spot is a little different. Pisoni is a rookie who had a trial playing left field half of the year hitting a good .314.

Fighting for the remaining berth are John Groth, Irv Noren and Gus Zernial.

Hal Smith will again be the No. 1 catcher with Tim Thompson backing him up.

The pitching, certainly the league's worst, has several spots open on the 11 man staff.

Maury McDermott, Tom Morgan and Rip Coleman acquired in the Yankee trade could help this dismal look. However, all three had losing records last season with the big bombers. Morgan (6-7) looks the best bet of the three.

Also Boudreau had Lou Kretlow, Alex Kellner, Bill Harriage, Tom Gorman, and Wally Burnetter back from last year. The first two although not getting any younger might improve their records of 4-9 and 7-4. Harriage cannot do any worse than his 1-13 record of last season. Gorman will again handle the big job of being the No.1 bull pen pitcher.

Burnetter could be the best on the entire 21 man pitching staff in training. This youngster came to the A's from Denver in mid-season and had a 6-8 won lost record. His 2.90 ERA with a last place ball team was excellent. Burnetter has a fair fast ball and a real good knuckle ball.

Also in camp are Ned Garver, acquired from Detroit, and the aging Virgil Trucks who was with the same team.

Rookie hurlers Ed Blake, 17-11, at Toronto; George Brunet, from Columbia; and Glenn Cox from Columbus could surprise. One ex-KC hurler Arnold Portocarrero also is back for another trial.



Courtesy Lincoln Journal Cerv . . . could help

Power is the leading first base candidate. The 26-year-old Puerto Rican hit .309 last season and has high hopes of raising the mark this season. Third base also appears set with Hector Lopez. Lopez slumped last season after a good year in 1955. This winter he limited his winter baseball to only a few games and now should be good at the hot corner.

The keystone spots are still open. Milt Graff and Curt Roberts are both in the battle for the second base position. Graff came to KC recently in the big trade with New York. He hit .317 last season with Birmingham. Roberts is one of the fellows who always has a good year in the minors but as yet, can't clout the big league ball consistently. He spent most of 1956 with Columbus after having an early trial with Pittsburgh.

'Stilt' Downs Oklahoma City; Off To NCAA Tourney In KC

With Wilt "The Stilt" Chamberlain showing the way, the Kansas Jayhawks trounced Oklahoma City University 81-61 to take the NCAA Western regional basketball championships.

The game was marred by arguments between the two coaches, Dick Harp of Kansas and Abe Lemons of Oklahoma City and general official baiting by the fans.

The trouble came when the fans

and Oklahoma City protested when a foul was not called on Chamberlain as he ran into Cecil Magana of Oklahoma City, knocking him sprawling. The fans then began throwing money and cushions on the floor in protest.

Chamberlain, Ron Loneski, Maurice King and John Parker led the Jayhawks with 30, 14, 13 and 10 points respectively, while Reed was high man from Oklahoma City with 26 points.

Kansas will go to the national NCAA tournament at Kansas City next week.

Other clubs taking part in the Kansas City playoffs will be Michigan State, North Carolina and the Far West Champions.

Back east last week when Brown University was walloping tiny Sylvania College 14-1 in a basketball game, the official scorer asked, "Who's Sylvania's leading scorer?"



are at 8 o'clock today.

Skirts In Sports

By DIANA MAXWELL

Smooth Sailing For DG's . . .

The last few games played in the basketball competition have been clear sailing for the Delta Gamma teams. Of three games played, the Delta Gamma's have one win and two defaults to their credit.

On March 6 Joan Norris was high scorer in a 14-8 Delta Gamma team No. 2 victory over Pi Beta Phi. Connie Schock of the Pi Beta Phi scored half of her team's points. On March 7 Delta Gamma team No. 1 won by default over Alpha Phi. On March 12, Zeta Tau Alpha defaulted to Delta Gamma team No. 2.

Rest Period . . .

No new intramural competition will begin by WAA until after spring vacation.

NU To Host Confab . . .

Big news in WAA circles right now is the big national conference that will be held here during spring vacation. About 300 WAA members from 81 schools in 34 states will be guests of the University chapter. Sally Wilson is handling the plans for the conference which have been underway since the beginning of last semester. Housing for the representatives from other colleges and universities has been arranged with women students who are donating their dorm rooms between April 15 and 18, the dates of the conference.

Club Meetings . . .

The Trampoline club, which meets Tuesday nights at 5 p.m., plans to hold its final meeting March 26. The Rifle club, which has a rather large membership of feminine marksmen, will meet March 30, but will hold no meeting on March 23.

Enlarge . . .

Equipment arrived recently for fencing, but no club will be organized until next year because it is so late in the season. By then the enthusiasm for this ancient sport may have died down, but with the current discussion of the King Lear scenes, fencing is enjoying a new popularity around campus that coeds will be able to share next year.

Tickets On Sale . . .

Orchestra rehearsals are reaching their final stages as March 29 approaches. Tickets for the show, West in Modern, are on sale for 50c from Orchestra members.

Mermaids Ready . . .

Aquaquettes have been swimming to the tune of "Man With the Golden Arm" and "Ruby" as well as other musically colorful numbers as they ready their production of Colorama April 4 and 5.

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THE NEBRASKAN SPORTS

All Over Until Next Year:

Tutors Beaten in Overtime; Boys Town Repeats in AA

By BOB MARTEL Sports Editor

Six State High School basketball champions were crowned at the Coliseum Saturday as the Tournament festivities ended for another year.

In Class AA, Boys Town emerged on top for the second year in a row. Last season they defeated Northeast for the title, but Saturday they downed the "Giant Killer" Grand Island squad, 53-43.

Boys Town used a press throughout the game and forced Grand Island to make mistakes which the Cowboys took advantage of.

Jim Gordon and Milton Juan led the Boys Town attack with 23 and 16 points respectively, while Dick Knuth netted 12 for the Islanders.

Omaha Holy Name dropped Lexington 51-46 to gain the Class A crown. Holy Name led throughout most of the contest. The bulge varied from a high of 11 points down to as few as two. Pat Toohy and Jim Markey were high for the Holy Namers with 14 points each. Monte Kiffen of Lexington led all scorers with 24 points.

Coach Archie Chapman's Geneva High Wildcats, led by big Larry Fiedler, copped the Class B laurels by downing Dale Snook's Tutors 51-50 in an overtime period.

With 11 seconds left to play in regulation time, Don Leuhr tied the ball game up as he calmly dropped

in two free throws. Uldis Lebaldis hit a charity toss in the extra period to give the Tutors a one point advantage but Dick Anderson hit a jump shot with 40 seconds remaining to give Geneva its second successive crown. Last year the Wildcats won the Class C championship.

University High's Marv Bauer set a Class B one game scoring record when he tallied 30 points against Madison in the semifinals. Larry Fiedler of Geneva set a Class C Tournament scoring record with 53 points in two games. Bauer had 51.

As usual, Bauer paced the University High attack with 21 points while Fiedler pumped in 29 for the winners.

The Alma Cardinals, paced by Lanny Andres' 24 points, won their first championship in the history of the school by downing Waverly 56-46 in the Class C finals.

Alma's shooting and rebounding was too much for Waverly to contend with. Andres' 24 points led all scorers. Roger Ruff was high for Waverly with 12 points.

Utica High School ended a fine basketball season by adding the Class D championship to their long list of laurels.

The Tigers finished the season with a 25-0 record to become Nebraska school team.

Utica breezed through the Tourney downing Center in the finals 50-42.

Dennis Semin, Allen Ellis and Roger Reiling were Jack Wood's big guns with 14, 13 and 12 points respectively. Jim McGill of Center took game honors with 21 points.

The Byron Broncos, setting a team scoring mark for tourney play with 109 points in two games, won their first state championship in their first appearance in the state meet.

Paced by Ivan Grupe, Byron easily overpowered a game Phillips High School squad 51-38 to gain the Class E crown.

Grupe, who set a new tourney mark with 56 points in two games, led all scorers with 27 points, while Bob Dawkins was high man for Phillips with 11 markers.

Jim Courtney picked three out of the six winners to lead the Rag Sports Scribes in tourney predictions. Jim picked Geneva, Utica and Byron to win their respective classes.

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