

# Husker Baseball Team Could Be Best In Years

By Hal Brown  
Although this year's version of the Nebraska baseball team could be the best in many years, they will be hard-pressed to improve on last year's record.

Last year's team wasn't supposed to cause much trouble in the Big Eight, but Coach Tony Sharpe's crew finished second in the conference and compiled an overall record of 15 wins and eight losses.

Sharpe's four top outfielders are returning, Dick Nelson, LeRoy Zentic, Jerry Harris and Bob Semin are the returnees with Larry Isaacson, a senior from Holdrege also being given a shot at an outfield berth.

Only two regulars plus two pitchers are missing from last year's team which still had a chance at the championship going into the final weekend of action. Oklahoma State, the NCAA champion, nosed out the Huskers.

Nelson hit .210 last year and led the team with 12 rbi's. He also stroked two home runs. Zentic hit .266 with two homers and seven runs batted in. Harris and Semin alternated in center-field with Harris being the better hitter with a mark of .321. Semin had a .217 average.

Captain and second baseman Gil Dunne and shortstop Dave Murakami plus pitchers Bob Gleason and Dean Flock are the main losses of last year's club.

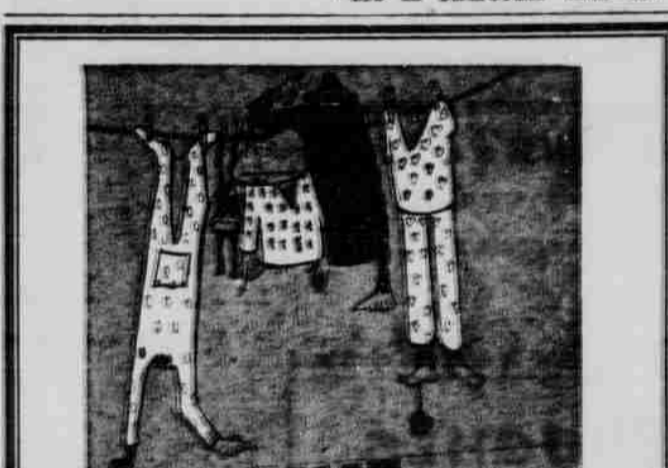
With Dunne and Murakami gone, sophomores will probably take up the slack in the infield. Doug Sieler, a third-baseman last year, will probably be moved over to fill the vacated shortstop spot. Sieler hit .242 and led the team with seven base thefts last spring.

Murakami, who set the league afire early in the season hitting well over .400, didn't do so well in the classroom. He finished the season with a .338 mark to lead the team and was second in runs batted in with 10. Dunne hit .215.

Ruisinger At 1st  
Ken Ruisinger, a two-year letterman, returns at first-base. Ruisinger, a 6-3 senior from Omaha, had a .260 batting average. He also pitched 11 innings gaining two wins against no losses with an ERA of 3.27.

Gleason won two while losing four but compiled a good earned run average of 2.90. Flock won four and dropped two decisions with a 1.65 ERA. He led the pitchers in strikeouts with 46.

Phil Barth, a sophomore, is the leading candidate at thirdbase with Dick Becher, a junior from Hastings, pushing him.



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### Turner Highest Scorer

All Time Record Set This Year

Herschell Turner's grand scoring total of 1056 points leads Nebraska's all time basketball scoring record.

Rex Ekwall is the closest contender with 880 points. Ekwall has the best in the percentage department with a 42.9 percent. He hit 296 of 690 field goal attempts to get his average.

Gary Reimers is the number nine man of the list but he leads the free toss percentage department. Reimers hit 223 for 293 to end up with a 76.4 percent mark.

This list could be used as evidence of the change in basketball scoring. All of the top ten scorers have played in the last ten years.

Albert Maxey is a strong contender on the list. Maxey's present total of 667 points ties Gary Reimers in the eighth position. Al has a whole season left to raise himself up the list.

Turner is the only Nebraskan to break the 1000 point mark. The mark fell during the Nebraska-Oklahoma game February 22.

Hersch may have been the only Nebraskan to have scored 1000 points, but that didn't keep a couple Huskers from trying. Claude Rutherford was the number one man in the "tryin'" department. Rutherford attempted 1090 field goals.

Right on Rutherford's heels is Jim Buchanan with 942 attempts. Buchanan scored higher in the percentage department, chalking up 823 points to Rutherford's 614.

- The top ten are:
1. Herschell Turner 1056
  2. Rex Ekwall 880
  3. James Buchanan 823
  4. William Johnson 814
  5. Claude Rutherford 804
  6. William (Babe) Whitehead 762
  7. Fred Seger 742
  8. Gary Reimers 723
  9. Al Maxey 667
  10. Don Smith 644

# Ike Hanscom Provides Assistance To Athletes And Coaches At NU

By John R. Nolan  
Recognition in University athletics is widespread and inclusive. Coaches and their top competitors are well known over the state and throughout the nation.

trend here, as in most schools follows football. "Football is the sport that draws athletes."

we get the athletes we have to create a desire in them to win. That desire, he said, has to be created in order for an athlete or a team to function efficiently. He cited the Oklahoma football game as an example.

Few people know, however, of these people behind the scenes who provide indispensable assistance to the varsity coach.

Ike Hanscom, assistant football and track coach for the Huskers, fits into this category exactly. Ike joined the Nebraska coaching staff twelve years ago with twenty years of high school coaching experience.

Concerning this year's track team, Ike said, "There is a lot of improvement in this year's team. We are weak in depth but strong individually." Optimistic about next year's team Ike stated that the depth will improve because of this year's freshman team. He feels that in the Conference only the freshman squad at Kansas can compare to ours.

Ike's knowledge of track should be respected. He attended school at Hamlin College in St. Paul, Minn. where he lettered in three sports, picking up four monograms in track. He broad jumped 22'11", ran the 440 in :49.8 and served as captain of the track team for two years.

Ike is well liked by those with whom he works. One athlete said, "Ike is the fellow to go to when you have a problem or need some help. He has helped keep many men going when they have become discouraged."

Ike said, "The grants-in-aid that are given by the University to the athletes are a wonderful thing. They help many boys get an education that otherwise they wouldn't have. A good athlete needs to be a good scholar."

In accordance with his own philosophy, Ike has been helped by his scholarship. After graduation at St. Paul, he attended graduate school in Minnesota and has received his Master's of Education at Nebraska. Ike is also in charge of Big Eight scholastic reports and is responsible for the Husker eligibility records.

Speaking of athletics in general, Ike said that the

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### A Campus-to-Career Case History



In the master control room of San Diego TV station KFMB-TV, Max Beere discusses a new studio-transmitter link with chief engineer Charles Abel.

### His "temporary" job became a career

Max P. Beere spent two years at the University of Hawaii while with the U. S. Navy, then earned his B.S. degree in Engineering at the University of Utah, where he served as technical lighting director for numerous campus theater and television shows.

pany liaison with the TV networks, he was soon surveying microwave relay routes for the "Wide, Wide World" show, and working on "remote" and mobile telecasts from such interesting locations as Death Valley and rocket-launching sites deep in the desert.

On graduating in 1955, he fancied a television career for himself, but felt that, being married, he couldn't afford to serve a TV apprenticeship.

In August, 1958, he was transferred to San Diego, where he took on full responsibility for TV and radio Special Services. This led to a particularly satisfying assignment in early 1959—the development of a new and successful closed-circuit educational TV system for 18 elementary schools in Anaheim.

Max had an interview with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company in Los Angeles. "I was offered a position in transmission engineering," he says. "It sounded great—but I really thought of it as a 'temporary' thing until I could get into television."

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