

Captain's Corner

By Kelley Baker
Sports Editor

Take eight sophomores, sprinkle liberally with talent and add a junior for experience. You have the Nebraska golf squad. Charlie Borner, Bob Lau, Chuck Sweetman, Nick West, Galen Ulstrom, Bill Messick, Steve Bock and Chris Nelson may not have tasted Big Eight competition yet, but they are veterans of the golf circuit.

Cocher Harry Good states, "You might say that our team has a rash of sophomoris. We have some top players and we have consistency, but the boys must definitely become more mature before reaching their maximum potential."

Discounting their youth however, NU can field a crew of very experienced contenders. "Golf in the last several years has become so popular that more and more boys with better backgrounds are trying out for the team," the coach continued.

Good doesn't harbor any first place hopes for the team this year and cautiously states, "We finished sixth last year, but I think we definitely have a chance to move up a notch or two this season. You can't judge how well the team will do this year by comparing it with the last year's Big Eight teams because the sophomores of the other schools may be equally as good."

The quality which differentiates this year's golfers from those of years past is their dedication and determination. "A number of the boys are definitely more conscientious in practice and will put in many more hours hitting and shagging balls. This group has spent more time on the practice tee than any golfers I've ever had. There is no question that they know more than any group of golfers I've worked with before."

"The golfers I have now are willing to work and work till they have their shots down pat and this is the way you're going to perfect your game. You have to get out and hit with a club till you have mastered it. In fact, a good player will practice three or four times as much as he will compete."

Number one man on the squad right now is Charlie Borner, a familiar name to Capitol City fans. Borner was the Nebraska high school champion as a junior and senior and won the Lincoln City championship in 1963. In the same year he finished second to Bob Astleford in the Nebraska State Amateur Tournament.

Lau is also a well known name to Lincoln enthusiasts. Last summer he made it all the way to the semifinals round in the Trans-Miss Tournament in Kansas City and was a contender for the '65 state title till the final day of competition.

The golfers will have a chance to prove themselves next week when the squad swings south for a rigorous seven day tour of five universities. The first two will be the biggest ones as the golfers will square off with Oklahoma State and Oklahoma. OSU, winner of the conference the past eight years, will provide the toughest competition and Oklahoma should be almost as rough with Kansas State figuring as a good contender for third.

Personally I'm less apprehensive than the coach and see a probable third or fourth place finish with an outside shot of winning the runner-up spot. True, the squad is young, but playing experience will add maturity and skill to the already seasoned players. Easter vacation will provide the clues to the question of a first or second division finish.

Finalists Selected For Pep Squads

Yell Squad chose 17 finalists Tuesday evening from a field of approximately 80 University students. The finalists will compete Thursday afternoon for five girls' and two mens' positions.

The 12 girl finalists are: Gloria Adams, Lincoln; Donna Andrews, Pi Beta Phi; Sally Cogle, Kappa Alpha Theta; Barbara Doan, Delta Gamma; Maggi Evenson, Alpha Omicron Pi; Cindy Ferrara, Gamma Phi Beta; Vicki Hakanson, Alpha Omicron Pi; Ellen Hayes, Pi Beta Phi; Mimi Hester, Alpha Phi; Nancy Shook, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Judi Switzer, Kappa Kappa Gamma; and Vicky Umberger, Kappa Alpha Theta.

The 5 men finalist who were chosen are: Gary Ailes, Alpha Tau Omega; Tom Farber, Sigma Phi Epsilon; David Murray, Don Pfeifer,

Theta Xi; and Roger Westberg, Theta Xi.

Finalists for the positions will assemble in the Colesium at 3:45 and competition will begin at 4:00. The applicants will be required to perform routines and yells and will be judged by a board composed of Jake Geier, gymnastics coach, and the former squad members.

Girls will be judged on knowledge of the steps, routines and yells. Boys will be judged on general ability, projection, appearance and knowledge of the yells.

Returning squad members are Kitty McManus, Kathy Henderson and Janice Howard who will be in charge of the new girls. The Yell King will be Larry Foster.

Geier Re-elected

J. G. "Jake" Geier, Nebraska gymnastics coach, has been re-elected president of the National Association of College Gymnastics Coaches for the 1966-67 year. Geier held the post the past year.

Geier has coached at the University for 17 years.

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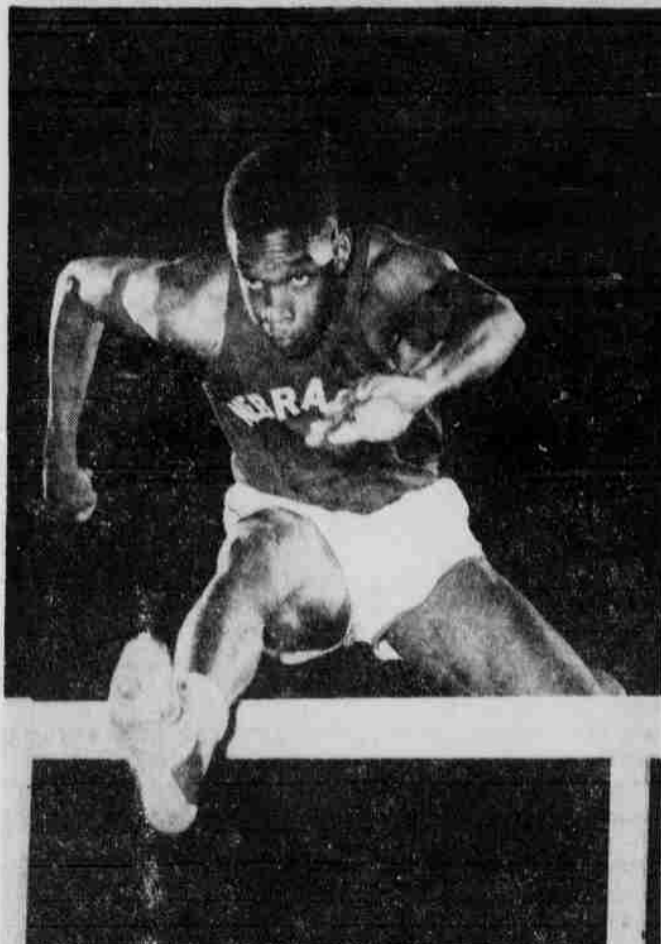
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Big Eight 60-yard dash champion Lynn Headly brings his hurdling form from Jamaica and the Tokyo Olympics.

Huskers To Compete In Triangular Meet

By Bob Flasnick

Saturday's triangular track meet at Ames, Ia., including Iowa State, Minnesota and Nebraska promises to be a good meet and a challenging opener for the Husker outdoor crew.

The meet should produce outstanding performances in almost every event.

Nebraska will have Charlie Greene, who has a .05.9 in the 60-yard dash and was the 1965 Big Eight spring king.

Greene has been slowed by a leg injury this season and if he isn't ready to cut lose Friday Nebraska still has Lynn Headly, the current Big Eight 60-yard dash champion.

Husker coach Frank Sevine has other headlines in Dave Crook, the 1966 conference 600 champion who will be running the 440 Saturday, along with Ray Harvey, the indoor hurdles king, and Jim Beltzer, Nebraska's improving shotputter.

In possibly one of the best races of the meet Minnesota's .47.3 school record holder in the 440, Mike Gillham, will be locking horns with Nebraska's Crook and Iowa State's Steve Carson, both of whom have been under .48 in their track careers.

The triangular will provide Husker shotputter

Jim Beltzer a chance for revenge against Minnesota's Joe Lane who recently out-heaved him by half a foot in the Texas Relay. Lane's distance was 56-1 1/2.

Ron Fecht, Nebraska's lone pole vaulter, will find himself in tall company if he competes against Minnesota's two 15-foot vaulters, John Shafier and Larry Mueller. Fecht has been bothered this week by a foot injury.

An article in yesterday's Daily Nebraskan erroneously reported that the triangular track meet with Nebraska, Iowa State and Minnesota would be held Friday.

The meet is scheduled for Saturday.

Golfers Defeat Bluejays

Nebraska golfers opened the season Tuesday by defeating Creighton University 11 1/2-6 1/2. The six-man squad traveled to Omaha for the match with the Bluejays. Playing in 38 degree, windy weather, the Huskers won four of the six contests.

Cocher Harry Good expressed pleasure with the win but warned that the difficult competition was yet to come. He said that the players would meet much tougher schools on next week's road trip. "Oklahoma State and Oklahoma will probably give us the stiffest fight," he stated.

Bob Lau and Chuck Sweetman each turned in scores of 76 while Nick West and Bill Messick shot 79's. Charlie Borner was unable to make the trip because of an exam.

- Robert Lau (NU) 76
- Jack Cross (CU) 82
- Nick West (NU) 79
- Tom McGovern (CU) 78
- Chuck Sweetman (NU) 76
- Mike Conway (CU) 83
- Bill Messick (NU) 79
- Rick McGuire (CU) 81
- Steve Nelson (NU) 81
- Tom Hopkins (CU) 82
- Chris Nelson (NU) 85
- Dave Modeer (CU) 92



Bob Lau

Where the Action Is

By Larry Eckholt

Perhaps the single biggest job that a coach at the University of Nebraska faces is recruiting. This is the year-long endurance test to see how many of the nation's best Nebraska can sign.

Each of the sports at the University has its own recruiting policy. Football, basketball and track have the biggest recruiting operations at Nebraska.

While Nebraskans are busy watching the Huskers during the regular season the coaching staff must watch the prep circles in order to judge what high school players will be contacted. This is done a number of ways:

1. The Athletic Department receives a number of newspapers around the country. The coaches study the sports pages of these papers and can tell if a boy is outstanding in that area.

2. Many of the coaches have 'contacts' from previous positions who keep them up to date on football stars in their area.

3. A more elaborate 'contact' is the Directory of Texas High School Football Players that is published informing the nation's coaches of the prospects in the Texas high school program.

Once the name of a boy who has shown potential is received he is sent a questionnaire which deals with the boy's athletic ability and his desire to attend college. The football office alone estimates that it sends out nearly two thousand of these forms a year.

If a boy shows an interest in Husker athletics and can prove that he can satisfactorily perform at the University then he is given 'the full treatment'.

The best of the possible recruits are thoroughly screened before they are personally contacted by the coaches. A boy is requested to send films of him in action and the coaching staff consider his capabilities and decide if he is to be contacted.

If a player is given a high rating by the staff then this person probably will be visited by a member of the staff. Some of the most sought-after players are

brought to the University campus for a week-end and are given a first hand look at the University. All of this is closely watched by regulations set down by the NCAA and the Big Eight conference itself.

Basketball operates much in the same way. A quick look through the binder of names who have been contacted by the basketball office shows that 561 high school cagers have been contacted this year.

Every state except Hawaii, Utah, New Hampshire and Maine has been included in recruiting correspondence. Ohio leads the number of boys contacted with 119 questionnaires sent out. Eighty-nine letters were sent to boys in Illinois; California prepsters received 58 letters. Indiana, Pennsylvania and Michigan were contacted at least 40 times.

Nineteen Nebraska boys were sent letters this year. But the fact that five of the top basketball players in the state, including Bob Grattop, Mike Aspen and Doug Andersen, have already signed with Nebraska is an indication that a winning season is the best recruiting policy to have.

Frank Sevine's eastern background has provided him with a number of contacts when recruiting for the track team. His success as a coach is the drawing card to Nebraska. A contact in Jamaica was instrumental in bringing Ray Harvey and Lynn Headley to the Sand Hills of Nebraska from the sandy beaches of the West Indies.

Orval Borgianni sends out nearly 200 inquiries to prospective wrestlers, primarily to boys from the immediate area. This year his recruiting has extended to Florida.

Then there is the classic example of the boy who wants to play football at Nebraska so bad that he hitch-hiked all the way from Washington, D. C. to prove himself capable of playing for the Huskers.

This is, of course, Langston Coleman, Nebraska's great defensive end who was encouraged by Ted Sorenson, assistant to President Kennedy, to give Nebraska a try. This proves that recruiting is a two-sided operation.

Churchich To Be Starting Pitcher

Nebraska baseball coach Tony Sharpe has named his starting pitchers for Friday's double header and Saturday's single game, all with Kansas.

Sharpe has announced that he will open with Bob Churchich in the first game tomorrow afternoon. He said either Bob Hergenrader (1-0) or Bob Stickle (1-0) will get the nod in the second game.

Tomorrow's double header will begin at 1:30 p.m. and Saturday's single game will start at 1:00 p.m.

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