

Athletic Feats

by John Mackey

Wishful thinking produces a dream of four Cornhusker football teammates and standouts of the 1940 season holding down their respective berths at the opening of the annual All-Star grid classic this August 28th in Chicago's Soldier's Field. We of the middlewest who have witnessed the performances of Alfson, Rohrig, Luther and "Hippity" Hopp over a period of three playing years are well convinced of their talents and capacities, and do not hesitate to predict that if their supporters will place a qualifying number of ballots for them they undoubtedly will give the Professional Champions, the Chicago Bears, a taste of the brilliant type of ball manifested in the Big Six conference. In fact these four boys should be able to do a little instructing on how to meet and cope with famous Model T formation as they will have unlimited knowledge which they gained from those

Stanford Indians last New Years day. All-American guard, Warren Alfson, is currently running in eighth place with the National ballot at 99,958 votes, as Herman, "the barrel" sits in tenth position with 119,382. Nebraska fans, let's get behind these four boys with bushels of ballots and reward them for their three years of hard-fought competition under the Scarlet and Cream colors with berths on the 1941 All-Star lineup. It will be the first time in the history of the contest that four boys from one school have dominated the program.

Wibbels may do it.

Magic and manpower constitute a combination of strength rarely found in any human being, even an Aryan, but when they are discovered to be working hand-in-hand for the good of one individual the world usually sees a new champion of some kind. In this case these two mysterious forces seem to be working for advancement of the sporting realm's record held by Indiana's Archie Harris. Casual remarks of a year and a half ago that a certain 21 year old Cornhusker twirler would fling the platter to an all time high are becoming more numerous as well as traceable now. "N" man Ed Wibbels seems to be the man foremost in the minds of all forecasters to shatter Archie's existing feat of 174 feet.

Edsel's colossal heave of 166 is only 8 feet short now. All the while the mystery of his magic and manpower are growing and helping him in his easy workouts behind the stadium walls. The exercise this summer have been none too strenuous, but only consistent, in that several times the old plate has sailed to distances of 160 feet with not too much effort applied. Ed's magic lies in the speed of his complicated windup, which working in coordination with the manpower found in his massive shoulders and arms, will someday within the next two or three years catapult the old disc to a distance somewhere on the other side of 174 feet, and the name of Ed Wibbels along with it.

World series dope.

By word of the mouth of that doctor of forecasters, that dean of predictors at the tender age of 19, that czar of Sixteenth street prognosticators, Jim "Sugar" Roberts fearlessly asserts that the Yanks and the Dodgers will lock horns next autumn in the world series. With the heavy artillery guided by that sage of baseball, J. McCarthy, bringing another pennant home. For the sake of argument, Mr. Roberts can be reached at the 625 No. 16th, phone 2-4988, any hour after 8 p. m. daily.

Ah! Parting.

Parting is such a sweet sorrow, said Shakespeare as he made his



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Chosen queen at the 1941 Food Retailers picnic was Virginia Ford of Lincoln, center. She was named a Cornhusker beauty queen at the university last year by Artist George Petty. Chosen from a field of 22 contestants, Miss Ford was awarded a cash prize. Betty Jacobs, right won second and Jane Newman, left, won third place in the competition.

usual 10:30 p. m. nimble spring from any front porch on 400 Uni. Terrace, and tripped gaily back to meet his fraternity brothers at the Tabard Inn. Those are my sentiments too as I wind up the last article in a series of several on the negative state of athletics during summer, pronounced summer, school at the University of Nebraska.

And so amidst a downpour of salty beers, I mean tears, I am wading back to the keyboard of my trusty Underwood to express my appreciation of the tolerance and leniency displayed by the readers of this column. You may not know it all of you out there in that vast realm of rabid readers, but it's the little things in life, like facetiously confusing my

name and face, when seen in "Sosh" with that of Grant Rice or Paul Gallico, that give a budding sports scribe, such as yers trewly, the strength and courage to stagger blindly onward in an attempt to carve his niche in the venerable journalistic walls of old N. U. There is not place like Nebraska, and we'll see you next September.

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