

Nebraska High Basketball Tourney Should Be Closely Contested

Central, Lincoln, Wahoo and North Platte Own Fancy Records

Upsets Should Be One of Features of Annual State Tournament Which Starts in Lincoln Next Month.

THE 1923 state high school basketball tournament to be held here March 8, 9, 10, promises to be one of the most closely contested classics on record.

There is not a single outstanding team in the state. Lincoln, Wahoo and North Platte have fancy records, but can only claim distinction in their sections of the state.

The general pickup is better understood by a squint at the records of Lincoln, Wahoo and Geneva. The Links defeated Geneva by a 10-point margin, but lost to the much-touted Wahoo five, 17 to 22. Geneva later in the season won a tough battle from Coach Anderson's pupils, 20 to 18. The Red and Black quintet, to make the party merrier, succeeded in handing Crete, runner-up in last year's tourney, a 36 to 16 cleaning. The best the Wahoo leters did to be satisfied with a 15 to 14 victory.

Two Teams Look Good.

In the eastern part of the state two Omaha teams loom up as serious championship contenders. Omaha Central with victories over Hastings, Geneva and Fremont are strong. Creighton Prep, after snatching a game from Central for the Omaha city championship, fell before the Geneva team in a tight battle, 12 to 11. Lincoln makes a real bid for the cup by her victories over Geneva, Sutton, Ravenna, Hastings and Uni Place. Wahoo, however, put a wrench in Coach Browne's machine with a 22 to 17 victory, a few weeks ago.

Sutton, 1922 champs, have a good record, having defeated Lincoln and York. One of the best games seen on the local court was the Sutton-Lincoln scrap, which Coach Knipple's proteges led, 18 to 17.

Crete Not So Good.

The Crete five, which went to the finals last year, is not hitting the hoop in championship fashion, having lost several games to the leaders by close margins.

York has been traveling at a fast clip lately, due largely to the efforts of Calvert, their star forward. North Platte claims the championship of the western part of the state by victories over Alliance, Gothenberg, Sidney and Kearney.

South Omaha, Clay Center and possibly one other former Class A aggregation have not kept the pace set this year by the other contenders. Valparaiso, rated in the Class K 1922 grouping, probably will make the biggest leap of any team in the tourney. Lincoln was forced to extend herself to annex a 21 to 21 victory, while Crete tumbled to a 15 defeat. Harvard, with wins over Sutton and Grand Island, should also advance to a higher class.

Woodward Leads in Trapshooting

New York, Feb. 24.—E. F. Woodward of Houston, Tex., leads the country on "doubles" for 1922. He does so by right of the skill with which his hands and his eyes point the gun at the "doubles" two targets thrown from the same trap at the same time, and the precision with which the judges in the doubles race hand pulls the trigger governing each discharge of the gun he is handling.

Last year Woodward shot at 7459 targets "thrown two at a time," in other words he shot at 7500 doubles, and ended up with an average of 94.4, an average which all records show has never before been beaten.

Frank Troch of Vancouver, Wash., who leads all the trap shooters in the race for high average on 15-yard single targets with the wonderful record of 98.8 on 6260 targets shot at, is second on the list in the doubles race. He shot at 1659 targets (825 doubles) and broke 1509 which gave him an average of .9145.

Frank Hughes of Moberly, S. D., who on May 3 at Greenwood, Miss., tied Woodward's record of 98.109 on 50 doubles, was in third place in the year's average with a record of .8981 on 1,659 targets shot at the number that Troch shot at.

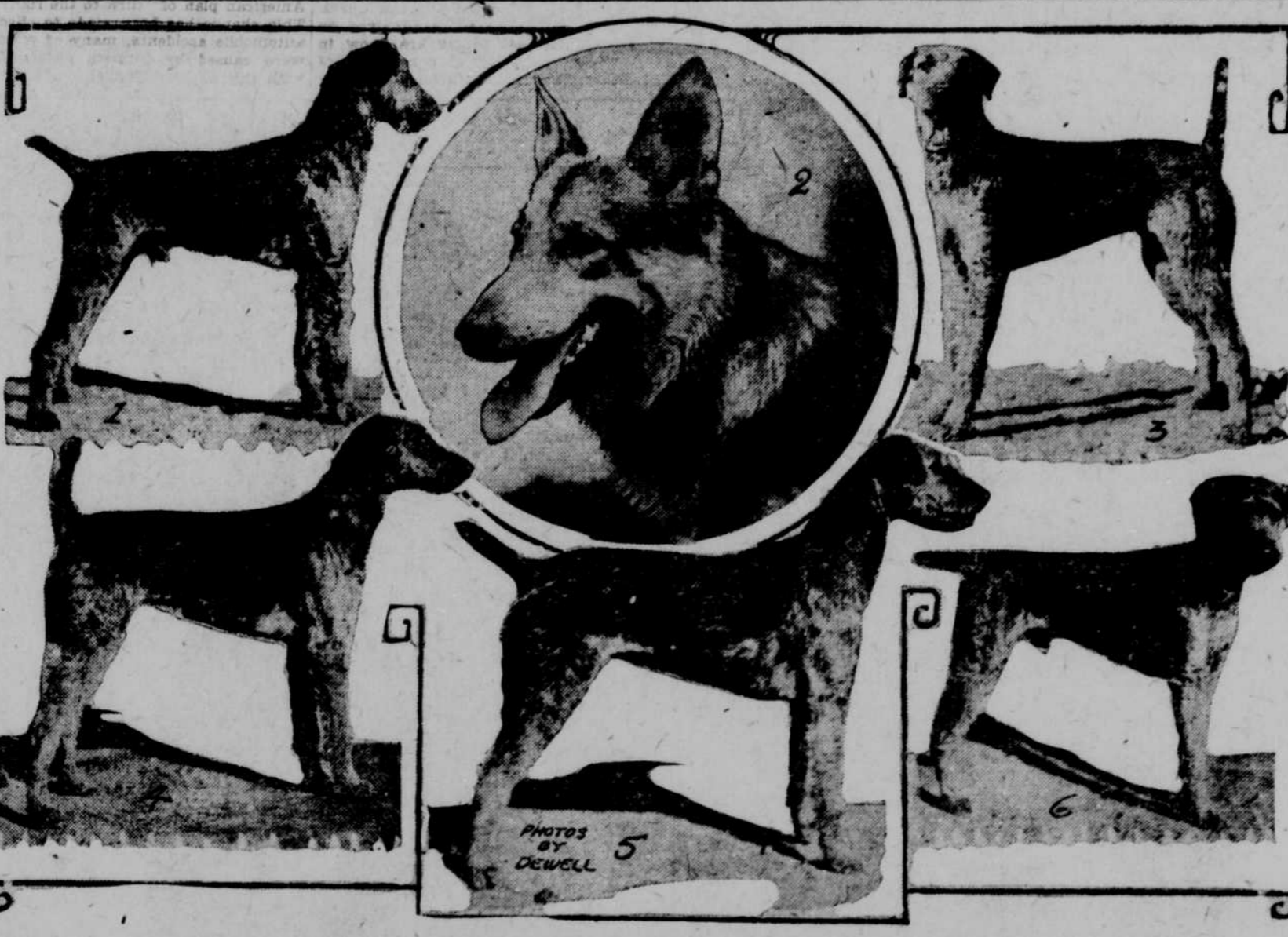
Heinie Harsch Defeats Swanson

Heinie Harsch defeated Andy Swanson in Friday's play in the state pocket billiard tourney at the Holmes Recreation room. The score was 125 to 92. Harsch led Swanson all the way, making several runs over 10. Swanson scratched many times and miscued in critical places. Swanson had the high run of the match, which was 21. Harsch's high run was 16.

Thirty-Two Rounds of Boxing on Fort Program

Thirty-two rounds of boxing will make up the first fight show which will be given by the 17th infantry for the benefit of its athletic fund at Fort Omaha March 2. The complete program as announced last night is as follows: Ernest Hoax, Fort Omaha, against Henry Noguera, Fort Omaha, 4 rounds at 135 pounds. Frank Carney, Fort Omaha, against John Perkovits, Fort Omaha, 4 rounds at 118 pounds. Frank Guzman, Fort Omaha, against Joe Herrick, Fort Omaha, 4 rounds at 124 pounds. Adolph Bucko, Fort Omaha, against Frank Washburn, Fort Omaha, 6 rounds at 125 pounds. Bobby Slater, Fort Riley, against Joe Wasielesky, Fort Omaha, 6 rounds at 125 pounds. Walter Francis, Fort Omaha, against Kid Graves, Omaha, 6 rounds at 145 pounds. Bobby Slater of Fort Riley is the lightweight champion of the 7th army corps area and Walter Francis, who is slated to tackle the veteran Kid Graves, is welterweight champion of the 7th corps area. For the 17th infantry will referee and the 17th infantry band will play. The fights will be staged in one of the large ranges at Fort Omaha and accommodations for 2,000 persons will be available. If the March 2 program proves a success the 17th infantry plans to bring some topliners to Omaha

These Canines Put Omaha on the Dog Map This Year



1—Pappio Twenty-Pay. 2—Buck Von Nahetal. 3 and 4—Pappio Queen's Way. 5—Pappio Jill. 6—Pappio Prinz.

THESE dogs have put Omaha on the dog map within the last four months. The Airedale pups in the above layout belong to Dr. J. J. Warta, breeder of high class Airedales, while the police dog in the center belongs to John Welch. More than \$3,000 in dog flesh is represented in these five dogs. Pappio Twenty-Pay, one of Dr. Warta's prize-winning Airedales, is valued at more than \$1,000, while Pappio Jill, winner of 32 first prizes at all of the best kennel club shows in the United States, will bring his owner \$1,000 most any day. Pappio Queen's Way and Pappio Prinz are valued at \$500 each. Buck Von Nahetal is one of the best trained police dogs in this part of the country. Buck just recently returned from the east where he attended a school of instruction in guarding. This dandy looking police dog is valued over the \$1,000 mark and is winner of several first prizes. At present the Warta Airedales and Welch's police dog are showing at the Colorado Kennel club show in Denver.

Following the Denver show, Dr. Warta will send Pappio Twenty-Pay and Pappio Jill to kennel club shows at Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland, Columbus, Huntington, W. Va.; Cincinnati, Akron, St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee and Minneapolis. These two prize winning Airedale puppies start their show work in Detroit March 5.

Crowd Evenly Divided on the Judges' Decision

Greenwich Village Light-Heavyweight Regains Title He Lost to Pittsburgh Fighter.

New York, Feb. 23.—Gene Tunney of Greenwich Village won back the American light-heavyweight championship by defeating Harry Greb of Pittsburgh in a messy 15-round bout in Madison Square garden tonight. Six months ago Tunney relinquished the title to Greb and tonight's fight was one of those rare instances in which a boxer comes back to reclaim his lost laurels.

It was an interesting contest, but there was little or no science displayed by either of the principals. There were times when the two men fought as a brace of longshoremen might. The decision in Tunney's favor was not a popular one. Most of the fans seemed to be of the opinion that a draw would have been more equitable.

For the first dozen rounds it was all Tunney. But then the fast stepping Pittsburgher struck his stride and pitched into the young Irishman with a fury that at times fairly carried Tunney off his feet. Then, later on when Greb appeared to have drawn up even terms with the champion, he was accused of butting and fouling. The referee cautioned him several times in the 12th round and for a moment it seemed the referee was about to disqualify Greb. But whether Greb was guilty of foul work will always remain a question. It appeared to many that it was only in his eagerness to win that he punched with every angle and that only his rushing tactics made some of his blows appear not quite fair.

Tunney worked for the most part on Greb's body to stave off his rushes. The last few rounds were furiously fought, with all caution cast to the winds, and the honors about even. Unquestionably the judges counted off some points Greb had earned on account of his alleged fouling, or near fouling.

Two Interscholastic Tank Records Broken

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 24.—Two interscholastic swimming records were broken and one was equalled here tonight in a dual swimming meet in which Yale defeated Rutgers, 45 to 26. Leo Giebel of Rutgers was the individual star.

In the 440-yard swim Giebel broke his own record for a 25-yard pool, made February 2, by a 1:45 seconds. His time tonight was 5 minutes, 30 seconds.

In the 200-yard breast stroke, Eddie Bench of Yale broke the record made by his swimming mate, M. M. Veeder, February 17. Bench broke the record by 2 2/5 seconds, swimming the distance in 2 minutes, 53 1/2 seconds.

Stephens and Lyons will clash Monday night in the 17th infantry pool tourney. Stephens is leading the field thus far with six wins and no defeats. Harsch is second to Stephens, having lost but one game. If Lyons succeeds in taking a fall out of Stephens, a tie will result.

"Stuffy" Out?



Cleveland, Feb. 24.—Stuffey McInnis, veteran first sacker, has been given his unconditional release by the Cleveland Indians. The Indians got Stuffey from the Boston Red Sox last year by giving three good players for him. But Stuffey didn't want to go to Cleveland, and he wanted more money, and the Indians had more or less trouble with him, and while the Indian management said little when giving out the news of his release, it is believed they want peace and less temperament on the Cleveland club. McInnis is not through by a long shot. Last year he batted .303 and fielded .997.

Short Shots Sports

Husker Cageters Lose.

St. Louis—Washington university beat Nebraska, 24 to 32, in a Missouri Valley game here last night.

Froshs Beat Juniors.

Central freshmen beat the juniors, 22 to 9, and the sopho trimmed the seniors, 18 to 14, in the Central intramural basket ball tourney yesterday.

Villa to Box Genaro.

New York.—Pancho Villa, Filipino holder of the American flyweight champion, has been matched to defend his title Thursday against Frankie Genaro of New York in a 15-round bout.

Johnson's Son Ill.

Reno, Nev.—The serious illness of his 15-month-old son has delayed the departure of Walter Johnson, veteran major league pitcher, for the Washington Americans' training camp at Camp, Fla. Johnson had planned to leave here Thursday night.

Skate Honors Divided.

Ottawa, Ont.—Honors were divided tonight in the international fancy skating championships. The American skaters taking the men's singles and the women's singles and the Canadians, the four, thereby winning the Comnougat cup and the pairs.

Walker Beats Griffiths.

Scranton, Pa.—Mickey Walker, Elizabeth, N. J., successfully defended his world's welterweight championship tonight in a 10-round bout with Johnny Griffiths, Akron, O. It was Walker's first fight following an illness of three weeks.

Tourney Results.

Following is the result of the first round of the first south-east Nebraska high school basketball tournament held at the Peru State Teachers college: Cook, 12; Peru high school team, 11. Clark, 20; Nemaha, 13. Dunbar, 14; Salem, 6. Hickory Creek, 26; Johnson, 7. Girls, Class A. Auburn, 25; Yorkton, 8. Falls City, 27; Salem, 6. Nebraska City, 19; Humboldt, 12. Johnson, 25; Peru, 21. Sterling, 22; Stella, 7. Tourney Results. Chadron, Neb., Feb. 23.—Final results of tri-state basket ball tournament are: Winner, Class A, Sidney; Class B, Model High school, Chadron. Tonight's scores resulted as follows: Pine Ridge, 20; Crawford, 18. Model High, 29; Gordon, 4. Sidney, 24; Valentine, 16. Alliance, 17; Mitchell, 19. Southeast, 24; Chadron, 18. Model High, 17; Pine Ridge, 15. Sidney, 17; Alliance, 13.

What Would He Have Done With Two Good Eyes

Parkersburg, W. Va., Feb. 24.—Earl (Greasy) Neale, former big league baseball player and now football coach of the University of Virginia, played seven years in the National league with defective eyesight, according to an eye specialist, whom he recently consulted. According to this specialist Neale's left eye is useless without the use of glasses, which he is now wearing. When Neale was informed of this condition, he told the examining physician "I have been playing ball with these eyes for 12 years," and received the following reply: "You have not—you have been playing with one of them." His recently discovered disability will not interfere with his profession as a college coach.

Six Letter Men Will Report for Baseball Tryouts at Nebraska

INCOLN, Neb., Feb. 24.—(Special Telegram)—Six letter men will be on hand for the initial baseball practice which Coach Owen "Frank and Captain "Speck" Carman will call as soon as the state basketball tourney ends. Two big holes in the infield must be filled, Joe Pizer, fast moving scorial and leadoff man in the batting order played professional ball last summer with State league teams and is ineligible. He is still on the Hastings' reserve list but has received no contract. Earl Carr, third baseman, also playing in the State league. George Smaha will be back for his position at short. Verne Lowellen, captain of the 1923 football team and outfielder, can do a little pitching in a pinch. Peterson, a pitcher who earned a letter in 1921, is back in school as is Poole, catcher, who also got a letter in 1921. Bob Russell, another 1921 letter man, will probably bid for the position at the hot corner left vacant by Carr. There is some good looking material among last year's freshmen, Jeff Petty, backstop, will probably do some performing. He won a letter at Ames in baseball.

Clarks Boys Win.

Silver Creek, Neb.—Silver Creek high boys lost to Clarks, 17 to 6. The local girls won an easy game from Clarks.

Hubbell Wins Three.

Humboldt, Neb.—Hubbell team were returned victors in three games on Washington's birthday. Humboldt high trounced Narka (Kan.) freshmen, 21 to 10. The grade school five beat Narka grade, 25 to 12, and the town team beat Narka town five, 27 to 15.

Cage Meet at Shenandoah.

Glenwood, Neb.—A sectional tournament will be held at the armory here Friday and Saturday with 16 teams of southwestern Iowa competing.

North Platte Wins.

North Platte, Neb.—North Platte beat Gothenberg, 21 to 10, in a game with action and spectacular playing. The locals lost to Suburban earlier in the week.

Wins 19 Games.

Indianola, Neb.—Indianola captured its 19th victory at the expense of Curtis here, 27 to 23. Vermillion girls lost to the town girls, 16 to 8.

High Teams Lose.

Humboldt, Neb.—Humboldt town teams beat the high schools quintets here Wednesday. The town boys won, 42 to 16, and the town girls, 16 to 8.

Nebraska Golf Association Plans Competition for Clubs Out in State

Play Will Be Similar to Tom Morris Cup Events—Teams Play Over Own Courses—Would Increase Interest in Games.

THE Nebraska State Golf association is planning a club competition to be held annually for clubs outside of Omaha.

The plan calls for a competition similar to the Tom Morris cup events which used to be held for the golf clubs in the country. Clubs teams played over their own courses and calculated their scores against par.

Tech Rallies in Last Half; Beats Hastings

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 24.—Creighton university's cage five lost the final game of their series to Marquette university by the score of 7 to 6, Friday night. Before a crowd of more than 2,000 fans, who young and old, stood nervously on a platform and cheered both teams until the building fairly rocked, the Blue and White and Blue and Gold gards fought one of the most sensational battles ever witnessed by the Hilltop followers, unsurpassed even by the Marquetters close win of 8 to 6 over the University of Wisconsin earlier in the season.

Fouls Cost Blue and White Cage Victory

With both teams displaying the union and precision attributed to university teams of high caliber, not an outstanding star was to be found on either side, with the credit side of the ledger being heavier only for those who managed to get what few points either aggregation was able to gather in.

The first half ended 2 to 0 in favor of Marquette, both points having been scored by free throws allowed after a personal foul. Mahoney, star Creighton forward, electrified the stands with a shot from midfloor two minutes after the start of the second half, tying the score and starting a driving offensive play by both teams trying to take the lead. Duford followed soon after for the first and only field goal scored by the Hilltoppers in the entire game, putting Marquette in the lead, from which they were never headed.

Marquette gathered in two more free throws before Mahoney capped another one from the center of the floor, putting the score at 6 to 4. Marquette then garnered one more point on a free throw and Halcy found his way beneath the basket with nobody in his way and dropped in the third goal for the westerners, score 7 to 6.

Creighton had three wonderful opportunities to score in the last minute of play when grouped beneath the basket and the Marquette guards unable to get at the ball, but the intense strain both teams were being subjected to make the comparatively easy shots almost impossible.

Scoreboard for Tech vs Hastings game, showing individual player statistics and final scores.

Jack Lawler Wins

New Orleans, Feb. 24.—Jack Lawler of Omaha was awarded the decision over Joe Matranga of New Orleans at the end of a 15-round bout Friday. Lawler weighed 133 pounds and Matranga 130.

Frank Baker Quits New York Yanks

Easton, Md., Feb. 24.—J. Frank Baker announced today that he is through with baseball as far as the New York Yankees are concerned.

On Winning Teams.

Tekamah, Neb., Feb. 24.—Isaac Lukens, a local boy, has been a member of Nebraska relay teams which have equalled or broken records. He ran on the Husker team which equalled the 440-yard national collegiate record in the Drake relay last year and also on the half-mile team which holds the Missouri valley record.

Baseball Topic of Meeting

Aurora, Neb., Feb. 24.—A meeting of baseball enthusiasts in Hamilton county will be held at the Y. M. C. A. Thursday to decide whether a county baseball league should be organized. W. C. Elce, secretary of the Aurora Y. M. C. A., has the matter in charge.

Select New Links Site.

Pawnee City, Neb., Feb. 24.—Golf enthusiasts at Sabetha, Kan., have decided to abandon their course for one closer to town.

Fifteen-Year-Old Boy Wins World's "Barnyard Golf" Title

St. Petersburg, Fla., Feb. 24.—Harold Falor, 15-year-old high school boy of Akron, O., today won the world's horseshoe pitching championship by defeating Frank Lunding, New London, Ia.; Frank Jackson, Kellerton, Ia.; and C. C. Davis, Columbus, O., consecutively for the title and \$500 in cash which goes to the first place winner.

Lunding was the former world title-holder and Jackson and Davis were former champions. Falor beat Lunding 59-21; Davis 59-18, and Jackson 59-16.

Lunding won second money, \$500 in cash, while Davis took third place and \$300. Jackson, the other member of the Ohio-Iowa big four, won fourth place and \$175. Ralph Spencer, the Oklahoma champion, was in fifth place and E. R. Plogman of Conroy, Ia., sixth. Falor has been pitching horseshoes for about two years.

Basketball Results

FRIDAY. Marquette, 3; Creighton, 4. Washington, 34; Nebraska, 37. Missouri, 43; Drake, 19. Kansas, 28; Iowa, 16. Arizona, 21; Southern California, 8. Central City, 25; Clarks, 23. Philadelphia, 27; Hastings, 35. Kearney Normal, 41; Cotter college, 15. McCook, 34; Barclay.