

Rebocats Take Lead in Nebraska State Conference Basketball Race

Wesleyan Quintet Handed 17 to 16 Defeat by Coach Graf's Cage Athletes

Omaha University Climbs in Percentage Column—Nebraska Central Fails to Win Single Game.

STATE CONFERENCE STANDING. Table with columns for team, wins, losses, and percentage.

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National Women's Champion Eliminates Mrs. Kennett in Southern Tourney.

EL MONTE, Cal., Feb. 17.—Edith Cummings, national women's golf champion, easily came through the first round of match playing of Pebble Beach tournament yesterday.

GOLF GRAF'S Peru goal sharks jumped into the lead in the state conference race by virtue of a 17 to 16 win over York, although the Wesleyan's cage athletes staged a thriller Friday night on the Methodist floor.

The victory marked the fifth straight win for the Bobcat crew. Buettzenbach's close guarding and out-guards from the court were the outstanding features of the Peru-Wesleyan tilt, although Weimer's five free tosses were deciding factors on the score sheet.

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EDDIE'S FRIENDS



Chance Will Remain With White Sox

President Comiskey of Chicago Club Refuses to Accept Resignation of Popular Manager. By FRANK L. CHANCE. Manager Chicago White Sox.

OS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 17.—One of the most gratifying things that ever happened to me in my baseball career was the receipt of a telegram from President Comiskey of the Chicago White Sox refusing to accept my resignation as manager of his club.

For the last few weeks I have not been feeling well but am rapidly on the mend. Fearing that the fact that I could not report with the first squad of White Sox to visit the Florida training camp would prove a detriment to the club I tendered my resignation to Mr. Comiskey but he would not accept it.

I am confident that shortly after the last of the players arrive at camp I will be able to report and take charge. In the meantime it is up to the club owner to appoint a temporary manager and judging from the talent on the club, there are a number of players fully capable of taking charge of the early work.

When I arrive at camp I will take counsel with those who have been in charge of the work and the weeding out process will begin. I appreciate Mr. Comiskey's decision to turn down my resignation. When I report I will give him my very best efforts and am confident that a short delay in reporting will not affect the club in the pennant race.

Hawkeyes Trim Chicago Maroons. Chicago, Feb. 17.—The University of Chicago last night was topped for its place among leaders in the Big Ten basket ball series as a result of its defeat by Iowa at Bartlett gymnasium here. The score was 21 to 13.

The game started out to be a real battle but long baskets by Janse and Laude at the beginning of the second half when the teams were tied 11 to 11, took Chicago's nerve and at that time on, the result was never in doubt.

Former Notre Dame Star May Coach. Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.—L. T. (Buck) Shaw, for several years star of the Notre Dame university football squad, will be offered the position of head coach in football and track at North Carolina State college and will probably take up his work there this year, according to an announcement last night by college authorities.

Blanchard High School Football Star Succumbs. Shenandoah, Ia., Feb. 17.—Fletcher Miller, 18, Blanchard youth, who was named center on the all-western Iowa football team last fall, died at the home of his mother, Mrs. John Miller, from a short illness from throat trouble, which affected his heart. He was a high school senior. His sister, Margaret, teaches at Farquhar, Ia. A brother, Charles, was killed in France, and his father died a year ago.

Omaha Maroons Uncork Good Teamwork and Beat Doane Five

W ITH spurts of high class basketball ball, the University of Omaha quintet outplayed the Doane college five on the Omaha court Saturday night, winning 19 to 13.

Doane started out strong, a pair of baskets and a free throw in the first few minutes of play giving them a five-point lead that looked mighty big to Omaha. But with the characteristic Omaha fight, the Maroons came from behind in a scoring sprint that brought the crowd to its feet. Meek's basket from the foul

line started the scoring, and Drdla dropped in a pretty one from the side. Slater followed with an under basket shot and a moment later sank one from midcourt, which tied the scoring in the first half. Score at the end of the first period stood 8 to 5 in favor of Omaha.

For the first 10 minutes of the second half Omaha ran wild, working the ball down the floor with short passes and running the score up to 16 to 5.

Records Fall at Indoor Track Meet in New York. Joie Ray Wins the Feature Event of the Carnival, But Fails to Lower His Own Record.

New York, Feb. 17.—Four new world's indoor records were set and two equalled last night in a spectacular track and field carnival held by the Wilco A. A. in the Thirteenth Regiment armory.

The world's record for the 80-yard high hurdles which stood on the record books for 27 years was subjected to the severest attack, being broken twice and equalled once. Charles R. Barkes, a West Point cadet, sent the new low standard of 19.25 seconds in the second preliminary heat after Tom Farrell of the Newark A. C. had topped the timbers for a new mark of 10.45 in the first heat.

Joie Ray, Chicago distance star, scored a brilliant triumph capturing the 2,000 meter Olympic special, out-standing event of the track and field carnival, but failed in a valiant attempt to lower his own world's record for the distance. Ray broke the top of 43 yards in front of Verne Booth of Johns Hopkins, intercollegiate country champion, with Johnny Romig of Penn state third.

A fourth world's record was established by Schuyler Enck, brilliant Penn state middle distance runner, who defeated Ray Watson, Chicago, national half-mile champion, and Larry Brown, former Pennsylvania crack, in an 800 meter special. Enck bested Watson by 5 yards in a driving finish, with Brown trailing. The victor's time, 1:54.45, puts a new mark on the record books for the distance, run for the first time indoors.

Bluejay Track Athletes Win Conference Meet

Creighton Tracksters Score 37 1-2 Points for Victory in Second Annual Meet.

Points. First, Creighton, 37 1/2; Des Moines, 32 1/2; South Dakota State, 22 1/2; North Dakota University, 22; Morrillside, 4; North Dakota University, 4 1/2; Nebraska Wesleyan, 4. Reference and starting, J. G. Grover, official; L. G. Mohlan, clerk of course.

REIGHTON university tracksters Saturday night threw a bomb into the ranks of the competing teams at the first annual indoor track meet of the North Central Intercollegiate conference when it won high honors scoring 37 1/2 points against 30 1/2 for Des Moines university, second-place winners.

Other teams competing in the meet and points scored by them are as follows: South Dakota State, 22; South Dakota university, 21 1/2; Morrillside college, 4; North Dakota university, 2 1/2, and Nebraska Wesleyan, 2.

A large and wildly excited crowd witnessed the meet. Wild excitement spread through the crowded gym as Creighton's blue and white-clad athletes piled up their winning margin. Five first places, two seconds and three third places coupled with one fourth, gave Creighton their victory.

The thrill of the evening came when Blissard of Creighton capped his first-mile run after trailing for three quarters of the distance. A mighty spurt in the last three laps gave victory to the Blue speeder after he had been pocketed throughout the early part of the race.

Blissard winning the mile-run met resolved into a battle between Des Moines and Creighton, high honors being at stake in the last event of the evening when the Bluebirds' crack mile runner stepped out and tore off a thrilling victory, while Des Moines was forced to be content with a poor third, South Dakota State speeders won second in the event and nosed out their ancient rival, South Dakota university, for third place by a half point.

When speaking of the stars of the contest mention must be made of Kennedy's heave in the shotput. The Des Moines crack sailed the weight through the air for a distance of 42 feet and seven inches. Creighton rooters were given their first chance to roar with approval, mighty and loud, when Byrne, star two-miler, stepped off the distance in fast time and brought home an easy victory over his rivals. Byrne started slow but stepped into the lead at the mile and rapidly outdistanced his opponents, winning by a good margin.

With the high honors at stake in the last event, the mile relay, Creighton, South Dakota State and Des Moines competing, and first place going to the Bluejays as a victory and to Des Moines as the Black and Orange placed first, the fans were on their feet, eagerly watching the flying runners as they pounded around the track. Creighton grabbed a 20-foot lead at the start, lost 15 feet in the second round, but held its lead to the final, when Stewart opened the gap and came home first by 23 feet, ending the Blue followers into spasms of joy.

Outside of the first four teams who were fairly closely bunched, the opposition was not of a quality to throw fear into an opponent's heart, Nebraska Wesleyan bringing up the rear with two points.

The summary: High hurdles: Kelly, South Dakota State, first; Simpson, Des Moines, second; Clark, South Dakota university, third; Mahoney, Creighton, fourth. Time: 19.25 seconds. Mile: Simpson, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, North Dakota university, third; Heigt, Des Moines, fourth. Time: 4:54.45. Two-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Lowry, Creighton, second; Ryan, South Dakota state, third. Time: 14:30.00. Five-mile: Blissard, Creighton, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Griffith, Nebraska Wesleyan, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 24:10.00. Ten-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 49:15.00. Twenty-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 1:38:15.00. Thirty-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 2:17:15.00. Forty-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 2:56:15.00. Fifty-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 3:35:15.00. Sixty-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 4:14:15.00. Seventy-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 4:53:15.00. Eighty-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 5:32:15.00. Ninety-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 6:11:15.00. One-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 6:50:15.00. Two-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 14:30:00. Three-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 21:00:00. Four-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 27:30:00. Five-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 34:00:00. Six-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 40:30:00. Seven-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 47:00:00. Eight-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 53:30:00. Nine-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 60:00:00. Ten-mile: Ryan, Des Moines, first; Ryan, South Dakota university, second; Ryan, South Dakota university, third; Ryan, South Dakota university, fourth. Time: 66:30:00.

Formidable Array of Talent Is Entered in State High Cage Tourney

No Team Has Gone Through Season Without Defeat—1924 Classic Should Be Successful.

Picking a 1924 state high school tourney winner is like shooting craps in church—it's out of order. No high school five in the state that will get in the class A group has gone through the season without suffering a defeat, Lincoln, Omaha Tech, Central, York, Fremont and all the rest have looked like sure winners at times only to be bumped off some unexpected moment by an opposing quint.

Lincoln high with wins over Creighton Prep, Central, York, Geneva, Alliance, Hastings, and University Place should be the runner-up. In fact, Lincoln has been in the running every year until after the first round. The coliseum floor has been a jinx to Red and Black quintet, but with Frank Corrick & Co. running true to form, many capital city team followers think that it is a Lincoln year.

The home tossers have not won a tourney since 1920 when Coach Mead's five defeated Omaha Commerce for the state honors. Lincoln, however, holds the record for the greatest number of tourney championships with five wins.

Creighton Prep held the spotlight until a defeat administered last week by Fremont's fighting tossers. The Brennan aggregation looked good all season with Captain Coffey and Gordon Delsing in the leading roles. The young Bluejays captured the championship of Omaha for the second time in as many years by defeating Central, 17 to 14, Tuesday night. The prepsters also have wins over Tech, Plattsmouth, and the Aggies. The Blue and White five a lanky outfit and like Tech have tournament strength.

Omaha Tech, 1923 tourney winners got off to a bad start. Coach Drummond had difficulty in getting his men to pass the ball and consequently many games were lost. The Tech five recovered in the middle of the season and gave Coach Brown's Lincoln five its first defeat of the season. The champions have a goal shark in Charquist, and Helm and Swanson are two of the best guards in high school circles. Captain Zust, who jumps center for the Techsters, is a valuable floor man and will give opposing pivot men plenty of discomfort.

Ernie Hubka's York team were hitting a fast pace in the early season but the graduation of Captain Ostbloom crippled the Blue and Gold outfit. Calvert, younger brother of Johnny Calvert, Wesleyan star, is the shining light on the York five. He is a dangerous man and will have to be watched when tourney time comes.

South Won Early Games. South Omaha, like York, were early season winners. Graduation knocked the heart out of Coach Patton's combination and the Packers have had difficulty in entering the win column since.

Fremont looked good all season. The Dodge county sharks defeated Creighton Prep in a thriller Thursday night, 50 to 28. The Fremonters also have wins over Omaha Central, Aggies and Hastings.

Valentine Chadron, Bayard and Sidney are the representative teams in the western section of the state. Gothenberg is strong and Morrill High has been winning regularly.

Coach Rothert's Plattsmouth quint have been tearing things up in the eastern section of Nebraska. The Plattsmouth team always has had a strong tourney team although they have competed in class B for several seasons.

Everything considered the 14th annual tourney should be a whooping success. The large number of teams with fine records coupled with the middle of upsets and setbacks should keep state fans entertained on March 5, 7, and 8 when over 200 teams are expected to fight for the trophies.

Chappell High Wins Class A Cage Honors. Chadron, Neb., Feb. 17.—Chappell high school won the Class A title in the Chadron Tri-State basket ball tournament here last night by defeating Sidney in the closing minutes of play, 8 to 7.

Basketball Results

Local. South High 17, Tech High 12. Omaha University, 23; Plattsmouth, 22. Missouri Valley Conference. Grinnell, 21; Kansas Aggies, 14. Drake, 24; Waterloo, 18.

Western. Nebraska and Jefferson 27; 28; Union, 31. Penn. 25; Princeton, 22. Denver, 15; Aggies, 15; University of Colorado, 15.

Michigan, 15; Purdue, 20. Amesbury, 21; Harvard, 24. Ohio State, 23; Indiana, 27. Montana State, 18; Colorado Teachers, 17. Brigham Young, 24; Utah, 37. Sacramento, 23; Illinois, 31. Fremont, 22; Berkeley, 17.

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