

**SO THAT'S HOW HE DOES IT.**

**Bierman Has 14 Viking Soph Elevens Working.**

By Arnold Levin.  
The secret, in case there was a secret and you didn't know about it, is out. I refer to the question of where Minnesota manages to gather, year after year, the kind of football bruisers every coach is supposed to dream about but never realizes.

Heretofore the question has been somewhat eristic in the common minds of Mr. John Q. Public. From now on out I think I've got a solution or at least what maybe, if I'm not wrong, and if fortune is on the right path, promises to be a solution.

**Bibliomancy Scores.**  
Resorting to the ancient art of bibliomancy, which means going into a huddle with the books of what's going and gone on et cetera, the seer sees something like 160 sophomores now in winter training for the 1936 football season, opening in just nine months. Remember, please, I didn't mention juniors or seniors. I said 160 sophomores. Just second year men. The guys who'll pick up a sheepskin and say bye-bye two years from now.

**Housing Capacity.**  
After I've told you I don't know how Minnesota's coach composed 14 elevens of sophomores in Minneapolis except that it sure must have been an awful job, you want to know what he does with 'em. There's a limit to housing capacity, you argue.

There may be, if you listen to economists, sociologists, and other holders of doctor's degrees in what people should do and why they do what they're not supposed to do. But there's no limit to housing capacity for footballers at Minnesota. The administration building might have to be razed to build a practice field, but those lads will find someplace to park despite high water and what goes with it.

**Can D. X. Do It.**  
I can imagine D. X. Bible, here at Nebraska, trying to find space for 160 men. He'd have to have them coming out in shifts, start 'em at six Monday morning and get around to coaching group I again sometime Saturday.

But there's absolutely no housing problem at the University of Minnesota. The Federal government doesn't have to worry about that section of the country. Minnesota big-wigs have seen to it that the Vikings have plenty of room to scamper.  
In the first place, there's an 80-yard indoor football field. And I don't mean just a lot of dirt on a floor. It's turf—real honest to gosh sod, like the boys play on every Saturday. And it's marked off into yard lines, sidelines, and everything that goes with the panorama of football.

**Lots of Room.**  
On this interior playground those 160 sophomores are gathering momentum for the push-pull thru the 1936 season. Soon other hundreds will join them—the juniors and seniors—and there will be plenty of working room for them all.

Compare that situation with the one here at Nebraska. Coach D. X. Bible is so hampered for room he had to make his varsity cut last fall on paper, before he had the

boys assemble and had tested their meats. He couldn't help himself. There weren't the facilities to take care of 107 men, let alone 160 sophomores only. The freshmen were confined to the end zones—twenty yards for some 100 frosh to kick, pass, and run in. And we thought sardines in a can were pressed for room.

If Nebraska is to cope with her Big Ten foe on par, she must take the necessary steps to promulgate the capabilities of her athletes, and so propagate Nebraska fame. Starting in mid-winter to build storm troops and reserves for a siege nine months away! No wonder, no wonder.

**'SET' HOOP PLAYS NOT OUT, SAYS F. C. ALLEN**

**K. U. Coach Strikes at 'Fire Department Style' of Basketball.**

LAWRENCE, Kas., Jan. 16.—"Pet" plays or "set" plays are not going out of fashion, declares Dr. Forrest C. Allen, basketball coach at the University of Kansas, after reading a story by Glen E. Jacobs of the Denver team of the Missouri Valley A. A. U. Jacobs had declared that the "fire department style," as used by some teams, was far in advance of present teams' practice.

"Set plays are dependent upon the fundamentals of basketball—skilled handling of the ball, and exact timing," said Dr. Allen. "Timing is the basis of every successful team play, whether the game is basketball, football, tennis or baseball."

"Fire department" basketball is comparable to the rough and tumble of the alley fighter, who conceals his lack of skill under physical activity. The trained boxer has the better of the argument.

"Instead of 'set plays' going out of fashion, they are just beginning," added Dr. Allen. "High school players for a long time have played the game without much regard to the fundamentals of ball handling. Now, they are beginning to learn the principles."

"As a matter of fact, the more skilled the player is, the more likely he is to be able to make fast plays successfully. If skillful, he can adapt himself to any speed of play."

"Several years ago, when some coaches had developed a 'pull bearer' type of play, the rules were changed to require the ball in the forward court within ten seconds. Some coaches seized the opportunity by making the move to the forward court as quickly as possible, instead of taking the full ten seconds. Their fast break caught some opponents unprepared, but after all the fundamentals of the game had not been changed."

Dr. Allen added that he believed the fire department type of play is conducive to roughness on the part of the players and boisterous conduct on the part of the spectators.

"After all, are we planning a game to strengthen the players, or to suit the coaches and the crowds?" asked Dr. Allen.

**HUSKER MENTOR PROMISES ONLY TOUGH BATTLES**

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road trek the furniture—smashing, rip-roaring attack that has characterized their play thus far. Headed by Bob Parsons, George Wahliquist, and Hank Whitaker, the Scarlet passes and galvanized floor will be the weapons which decide whether Kansas or Nebraska continue to occupy the topmost rung in the Big Six ladder. For if the Brownemen master Oklahoma, the now-shared leadership will dangle between the two co-holders for disposal on one side or another.  
The probable starting lineups against both the Sooners and Jay lists Wahliquist and Whitaker, forwards; Floyd Ebaugh, center; Harv Widman and Bob Parsons, guards.  
The five additional men on the ten-man squad including Harold Baker, Lawrence Nelson, Robert Leacox, Elmer Dohrmann, and Leland Hale.

**14 MATMEN TO BEAR EMBLEMS OF U. S. IN OLYMPIC GRAPPLING**

**Final Tryouts Scheduled For April; Huskers Will Wrestle in Iowa.**

Fourteen wrestlers will bear American colors in the summer Olympiad in Berlin, states Dr. R. G. Clapp, professor of physical education in the university and secretary of the American Olympic committee. Winners of the final tryouts and an alternate for each of the seven weight divisions will compose the squad.

Winners and runner-up from the national collegiate, A. A. U., Y. M. C. A., and open amateur district tournaments will be invited to compete in the Olympic tryout finals which will be held April 16, 17, 18. Site of the meet has not been named.

"Nebraska wrestlers will compete in the midwest finals and Minnesota district," Dr. Clapp declared. "The two meets probably will be combined and held somewhere in Iowa."

When the various elimination contests are over, about 20 men will be on hand in each class for the finals.

The national collegiate meet will be held at Washington and Lee university at Lexington, Va., March 20-21 and the Y. M. finals in Wilkes Barre, Pa., April 3-4. The A. A. U. meet will be held in Chicago, although the date is as yet undetermined.

**Want To Interview Hoover? Just Try It, Says Reporter.**

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fice. Let's try the state central committee meeting on the mezzanine, and don't stop to talk with the hat check girl. Say, I see Stevens of the World-Herald down in the lobby. Maybe he knows something about it.

**Won't Answer Letter.**

No luck, Steve? There's Miller, the UP man—let's collar him. Where'd you get that, Joe, a copy of the speech? You say they were distributed from Chicago two days ago. Then what's the use of covering it? Oh, I see. To check against changes and additions.

Miller just saw Saxon. He asked him about Ickes recent charge that three bills passed by Hoover's administration were declared unconstitutional. Hoover called it false in no uncertain terms, and Ickes was supposed to have apologized by letter, which Saxon says Hoover didn't get. Maybe he's just stalling, and doesn't want to make a statement on it yet.

We'll go back to Saxon's room now, and try to get a copy of the speech. If these two fellows outside the door didn't look so tough, they might be reporters, but they must be bodyguards. Can we get in to see Saxon? That's too bad—we'll wait out here.

**High School Newshawks.**  
We're not alone—there's George Brenner of the Havelock High School Signal and the Lancaster County News—he's been waiting for two hours for what he calls a "smear of copy." There's Saxon now, and here's a copy of the speech. Let's sit down and read it. When Time magazine said he has a new sense of humor, they weren't exaggerating—the whole thing is satirical derision. It doesn't look like we'll get an interview, and we've got that hole in the front page to fill. How about getting a commentary feature from one of the political science instructors by letting them read the advance copy?

Out of four called, we get four refusals, but each for a different reason. Guess we'd better try to interview him. He was behind the building of Stanford's union building—maybe we could get him to talk with a non-political question like that.  
He's here.  
What's that noise in the lobby? There he comes now! He walks up to the desk, accompanied by four men, registers, and walks directly to the elevator. Two rounds of applause go through the crowded lobby. He's gone now, but there's Dr. Condra, taking a hand in organizing the dinner crowd. Professor White is visiting with folks on the mezzanine, and Dean Thompson and Dr. Foul and their wives arrive for dinner.  
Dinner time, and no Hoover interview. Stevens suggests that we write a feature on how hard it is to get one, and it sounds like a good idea. He's going to write one in letter form to his boss, Robert Lash.  
We'll try both offices once more, and then go to the coliseum for the speech. What a crowd! Big as the one at the Wyoming basketball game. Those red cards will get us a seat at the press table up in front.

**HARGISS WORKS WITH GREEN CINDER SQUAD**

Ten Veterans at Kansas, But Cinch First Placers Lacking.  
LAWRENCE, Kas., Jan. 16.—The days of Cunningham, Eddie Hall, Dees and Clyde Coffman as track contenders and first place winners are for the moment gone at the University of Kansas, and Track Coach H. W. "Bill" Hargiss is working with the material at hand in the hope of developing some point winners in the track competition, which starts in a few weeks.  
Coach Hargiss has eight or ten veterans, including such runners as John McNow, Lawrence; Charles Beckaert, New York; Robert Schroeder, Bendena and Gordon Guise, Lawrence, and some excellent sophomores, such as Donald Bird of Arkansas City, pole vaulter, Emil Wienecke of Tulsa, who made an excellent record in football his sophomore year, is trying out for the javelin.  
Prospective track men for Kansas this year include:

**Mrs. Cochran Crowns Carnival Queen**



Mrs. R. L. Cochran is here shown presenting the sceptre to Bettie Christensen, queen of the ice carnival sponsored by W. A. A. and held at Oak creek park Wednesday night. Miss Christensen was surrounded by ten attendants.

Herbert Hoover of the United States of America." Now comes the job—trying to read copy with his speech. His first paragraph is intact, but he deletes the second to add a joke—a good idea. He doesn't have the smiling voice of a P. D. R.—never was much of a speaker.

**Welcome Disaster.**

Wonder why people clap when he said the country is worse off now than it was when he was in office? They just about went wild with joy when he predicted a communitistic state as the next step in the new deal program.

Copy is going fine—over ten-ninths of the printed speech is all right. He does ad lib a lot with "no doubt" on the front of a sentence. He's done now, and everybody rushes to the stage. "I've done it," shouts one red faced chap, "I shook hands with Hoover!"  
But we've got to tear back to the hotel to get that interview. Extras on the street already have the entire speech print in thm, but they can't fool us—we have a joke in our copy that they haven't. Eight men in the lobby are harmonizing on "Tara-ra-ra boom-de-ay, how we love the A.A."

**Back Again.**

Hoover arrives, and we ride up with him, asking Saxon again about chances for an interview, and getting another indefinite refusal. People are coming up to his room to shake hands with him—there's Link Lyman coming up. A West Branch, Ia., man mumbles something about a letter he wrote him, and introduces his son and daughter. Bob Simmons comes up, remarks "the applause in the back of the crowd was good."

**HOOPER LASHES ADMINISTRATION FARM PROGRAM**

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merit service before this sort of idealism get hold of it... This new breed of middlemen every day tried hard to bring agriculture into balance with politics." To remedy this, he proposed that "the administration of these methods should be handled by the Land Grant Colleges and farmers themselves in order to the vast bureaucracy now loaded upon the farmer."  
Expansion of new crops was pointed out by Mr. Hoover as an alternative to the curtailment of products, including those which would be marketed or which would improve the fertility of the soil. Such a policy, he declared, "would employ more than all the acres put out of action by the new deal."  
From all this decrease in home consumption and shift in foreign trade the farmer has lost the market for more acres than the whole New Deal curtailment of 50,000,000 fertile acres. Is that not the principle of the Economic Dog chasing his tail?"

**"Blessed are the Young."**

In a cryptic thrust directed at government spending and an unbalanced budget, he stated "Blessed are the young, for they shall inherit the national debt." About fourteen billion dollars, he estimated, would rest on the farmers as a "supermortgage."  
In concluding, he offered "a word of personal emotion." Recounting his experiences in foreign countries, where he had seen "at first hand revolution creeping in under promises of relief from the agonies of war destruction," he charged "unhesitatingly that our country is following step by step the road thru which these millions of people in foreign countries lost their liberties... It was the farmers who bred the first shot at Lexington. It must be the farmers of America who defend that heritage. I ask you to stop, look and listen."

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