

# SPORT NOTES

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Observers of Nebraska high school basketball teams see a new state champion by the end of the season in Skip Palrang's Creighton Prepsters from Omaha. Roaring thru all the competition they have met so far, which includes Hastings, Grand Island, and Fremont, the Junior Jays look like the team to watch from here on out.

Ralph Beechner's Lincoln High quintet is in for another mediocre season, having lost already to Omaha Central, a team not figured to be a power either in state circles or Omaha Intercity play.

Fremont licked Benson, which is usually pretty good by 38 to 10, and Palrang's boys knocked off the Tigers 17 to 13 in a defensive contest.

Here's the situation summed up: Prep beat Hastings by a margin of nearly three to one, Hastings beat Jackson in a close game, and Lincoln beat Grand Island by seven points. Prep's margin over G. I. was about the same as over Hastings. So we think Prep can take all four into camp easily, and probably during the same week!

Saturday is the big day! K. U., already an Oklahoma victim, will appear on the coliseum court to do battle with Nebraska's Hollywood-ized Huskers. And Kansas is out for a revenge, not necessarily over Nebraska, as they have nothing in the line of basketball to revenge on the Huskers, but revenge for that loss to Oklahoma. The sooner they beat a major opponent, the better they'll like it... and Nebraska is a major opponent.

Husker fans will get a treat watching this Engleman-Ebling-Golay combination, alternating at forwards. The three sharpshooters are probably the best trio on one team in this part of the country.

Studded with stars and lettermen, Big Six fans are surprised at the relatively poor showing made by the Jayhawkers so far this year. But they're ready to blow the lid off the conference race and game now, and would enjoy it immensely if Nebraska could be perched on that lid.

Iowa State's 47 to 36 victory over K. State may be a warning to other Big Six teams that the Cyclone will continue their football surprises on the basketball court. Anything would be better, however, than the game they played against the Cornhuskers here last year. Its slowness and drabness cut a crowd of 5,000 fans down to about 3,500 at halftime and there wasn't even a mob at the door when the game was over.

Minnesota, Big Ten contender and conquerer of Nebraska earlier this season dusted off a smart Chicago quintet, 38 to 28 in their conference opener. At the same time, Illinois, Ohio State, Purdue and Wisconsin were winning first conference games.

Only three teams in the Big Ten, most writers agree, may be actually counted out of championship figuring—Iowa, Michigan, and Chicago. Of the rest, Wisconsin seems to me the weakest, Purdue, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio State appear bracketed below Minnesota and Illinois... the Gophers should cop the crown.

## Barbs Discuss Plans for Party

Dinner Dance to Be Held in Union Feb. 25

Bids for the barb winter party were issued to barb men yesterday afternoon in the regular barb council meeting. The party will bring Sternie Sternberg and his orchestra to the union ballroom Feb. 25. A dinner will precede the dance.

The council discussed plans for registration of barbs with a nominal payment by each barb to meet the expenses of the organization.

'Tis True: The University of New Mexico student council has petitioned the library to remain open more hours of the week!

# HUSKERS UNLIMBER FOR K. U. TILT

## Three High Flying Jayhawk Forwards



DON EBLING—FORWARD



GEORGE GOLAY—FORWARD



HOWARD ENGLEMAN

Pictured above are Phog Allen's three sterling forwards who comprise probably the best trio of alternating forwards on any one team in the middle west. Ebling is following snugly

in the footsteps of his older brother, Ray, who made cage history at K. U. Golay is leading the Jayhawk scorers in games played so far this year; Engleman bids fair to become

one of the greatest forwards ever produced in the conference. He's only a sophomore, and rang up 17 of the Allenmen's 31 points against Oklahoma last Saturday night.

## Browne Sends Cagers Thru Stiff Practice

Thomas May Start at Forward as Scarlet Open Big Six Race

Prepping for their first Big Six opener against the defending champions, the K. U. Jayhawkers Saturday night, Husker basketballers unlimbered rubbery travel legs and banged frosh opponents all over the floor in scrimmage yesterday.

Not any too pleased with their showing, Coach W. H. Browne halted the contact work every few moments to make corrections on both offensive and defensive play.



GRANT THOMAS

Grant Thomas, as, slim forward, whose play shone against opponents during the holiday trip, will probably get the starting call at one of the forward jobs against K. U. The rest of the first string lineup at present is composed of Koyanda opposite Thomas at the other forward, Randall at center, Fitz and Werner at guards.

Hope for a win over the Jayhawkers has bounded from nowhere into an actuality as a result of Kansas' defeat at the hands of Oklahoma's powerful Sooners last Saturday night.

A comparatively good showing on the coast along with the Kansas defeat seems enough to Husker fans for bolstering hope.

Allen's quintet is not to be figured anywhere near a soft touch. The K. U. crop of forwards is as good a bunch as can be found on any team in the nation. Engleman, Golay, Reid, Allen, and Ebling are all tall, rangy, fast and dead-eyes.

Dick Harp at guard is expected to assume the role the great Pralle played the past two years for Phog, that of inspirational leader and defensive "quarterback."

A win over K. U., however, would stamp the Huskers as more than the dark-horse they have been considered hitherto.

## Badminton Play Pairings Posted

Teams Must Arrange Time to Play Games

Pairings for the badminton tournament have been made and are posted in the girls' gym. Teams should contact each other and then arrange for a time to play. The office must be notified of that time so that a net will be up and a referee ready. Times can only be arranged after 5 o'clock. The first round must be completed by Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 6 o'clock, and there will positively be no extensions of time, it was announced.

## As I See It

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Oklahoma's easy victory over Kansas just about puts it up to the Huskers to come through with a victory over the Jayhawks, if Coach Browne's boys expect to figure very noticeably in the Big Six race.

The Sooners' impressive win, accomplished without the services of Roscoe Walker and Marvin Mesch, established Oklahoma as favorites to add the basketball crown to their football championship—unless Oklahoma gets worse very fast or Kansas or some other team gets better just as fast.

The Huskers' west coast trip brought Nebraska a little added respect from the rest of the Big Six, since the Huskers averaged nearly 40 points a game even though they won but two of five. If course, none of the boys who "fear Nebraska" are saying anything about how many points the opposition averaged, but who are we to give advice?

Kansas will come with some ire in their eyes because of Saturday's licking from the Sooners, but the Huskers don't need anything to fire them up for Kansas. Nebraska might have won last year's game at Lincoln but for some sapper who tossed an apple core at Phog Allen just at the psychological time—for Kansas, that is, and they have a lot more than an outside chance to bowl over the Jays Saturday night.

Reports from Los Angeles seem to indicate that U. C. L. A. will be the next school to join the reform parade, athletically speaking. They've already started, in fact, for last October, when 110 athletes had part time jobs, 50 were cut off the payroll before the California game. It all caused quite a ruckus, although a "strike" was averted. Now 25 more have been handed the blue envelope, and as the U. C. L. A. grid team is due in from Hawaii soon, the boys won't have such a pleasant homecoming waiting for them.

That isn't all. Those remaining on the payroll had their wages sliced. Averaged "salary" is about \$30 per month, although some of the big wigs have been drawing about \$50.

It is reported further that the university intends to eliminate the payment of tuition fees, lab fees, and cost of textbooks for its athletes who have been receiving such benefits in the past. The aforesaid policy may go into effect at the beginning of next semester.

Howard Weiss, Wisconsin star.

## California Cage Play, Girls, Scenery Intrigue Huskers

### Basketeers Describe Experiences of Trip

"When they were hot they were unbeatable; when they were cold he had a chance and we beat 'em"

So said Coach Browne Monday when questioned about the California basketball team whom the Huskers defeated once on the coast only to turn around and lose in a second encounter. He attributed this to the fact that the Bears used a long range follow in type of play which was unstoppable when they were hitting, but ineffective other wise.

Players, especially Grant Thomas and Don Fitz, questioned concerning the holiday jaunt, were unanimous in their approval of the feminine crop in evidence on coast campuses and in the Hollywood studios.

### Rose Bowl Game.

The Rose Bowl game and the Tournament of Roses parade were next on the players interest list. These appealed most to Irvin Yaffee and Grant Thomas, Grant being struck by the peculiarity of flowers being in bloom on New Years.

Browne voiced his opinion on the scenic beauty of the San Francisco bay region and the trip home through the Royal Gorge and Feather River canyon. Jack Jackson was particularly interested in the Golden Gate bridge because of its architectural beauty and workmanship.

### Battleships in Bay.

Harry Pitcaithley was struck by

wants only \$10,000 to play football with the Detroit Lions... that's about what Earl "Dutch" Clark received as the Lions' coach last year... U. C. L. A.'s two point victory over the Huskers was the Bruins' first major win of the year... they didn't turn in a single victory in the Pacific Coast basketball race last year... Ralph Miller got into a few minutes of the Kansas-Oklahoma game, and sank a long shot, although he is still hobbling because of the bad knee injury he received in football... Virginia Military Institute's starting basketball lineup includes five football men... only two of the eleven Southern Cal players who were in the game as the Trojans beat Duke will be lost to next year's team.

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the ocean and the immensity of the battleships which were anchored in the bay. The extremely informal dress of the male contingent of the western campuses, seen mostly in blue denim pants or corduroys, absorber most of Bob Therien's opinion of the trip. The girls, according to Bob, dress just oppositely, coming to school in their best regalia. He also was struck by the beauty of Hollywood as was Al Randall, who took in as much as possible of the scenery of the hills around San Francisco.

California weather stood up to par as far as the Huskers were concerned, for all of the travelers talked of the pleasant weather which they enjoyed in the Sunshine state.

Most of the fellows spoke of the loose officiating, which is characteristic in coast basketball circles, as compared to comparatively close foul calling in the midwest and east.

## Freshman Caps Discarded by Omaha U. Frosh

Freshman caps are a thing of the past at Omaha university if the precedent established by John Knudsen, freshman class president, is continued. Instead of the traditional caps, the freshmen will wear celluloid buttons done in red and black, the school colors.

How can freshmen get away with such audacity? The secret lies in the fact that the class numbers 572—more than half the student body.

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