

FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 1939

# **NU** scribes select **All Big Six cagers**

#### FIRST TEAM.

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James McNatt, Oklahoma.....F...... Howard Engelman, Kansas Robert Harris, Iowa State.....F......Garnett Corbin, Oklahoma Homer Wesche, Kansas State...C.......Nicholas, Iowa State John Lobsiger, Missouri......G......Marvin Mesch, Oklahoma ALTON WERNER, NEBR.....G......Lyman Corlis, Kansas By June Bierbower and David Thompson.

Twice a year sports writers are given the chance to render judgments of their own in regard to the prowess of this and that athlete.

At this particular time of the year it is basketball which is yielding its three month rule over the sports world and the DAILY NEBRASKAN hereby offers its choice of the top ten men in the Big Six hoop season.

Big gun of the conference and the most brilliant all-around player is Jimmie McNatt, Oklahoma junior forward, unanimous choice of team choosers throughout the Big Six. Jimmie broke the conference scoring record in a 29 point spree against Iowa State on the spree against Iowa State on the Cyclones' own court. His deadly accuracy and proficiency in the art of ball-handling were the nemesis of guards throughout the conference as well as out of it. He is an all-conference repeater from last year.

Teamer with McNatt at the forward positions is Bob Harris, red-headed shot artist from Iowa State. Bob has been the spearhead of the Cyclone attack, and the team sparkplug. The little carrottop took up the Iowa State leadership when big Gordon Nicholas suffered appendicitis and led the Cyclones to a decisive victory over the Huskers.

Wesche at center.

Who else could fit the center position but Homer Wesche, leading conference scorer, and another repeater from last year's "all" squad. Wesche is the only praiseworthy part of the Kansas State team, holders of the league cellar position. In every game it was the stalwart Wildcat pivot man that kept the team from being just another ball club. If they won it was due to Wesche, if they lost, it was Wesche that stood out with any player on the court.

In the defense positions, con-troversy reared its head. John Lobsiger, Missouri star, and Alton a hole.

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Werner, steady Nebraska senior, came out on top. Lobsiger was an unanimous choice because of his sensational defensive ability, cou-pled with his rebound activity. He and kept them from falling when they started a late season slump. Werner gets nod.

We gave Al Werner the nod over Lyman Corlis of Kansas for two reasons. He topped the Kansan in scoring and played a steady, dependable game throughout the season. He was the Husker inspiration, responsible for Nebraska's wins and a main factor in the team performance despite a last game slump. Corlis did not hit his stride until midseason, and Al had been going strong from the start.

Picking the second squad was not so hard with Howard Engelman, Kansas, and Garnett Corbin, Oklahoma, easily the pick for the forward spots. Despite a late season appendicitis attack, big Gor-don Nicholas, Iowa State, is entitled to the second team pivot position. Leader of the Cyclone offense with Harris and a giant of defense, Nicholas easily stood out in conference circles.

Paired with Lyman Corlis at the guard spot is Marvin Mesch, Oklahoma standby, and a first ranking defense man. Mary was not a particularly strong scorer this year, but his defensive ability brought the Sooners out of many

# Tourney play advances to semifinals

## **Creighton Prep wallops** Lincoln; Jackson gives **Chappell first defeat**

Falls City, Creighton Prep. Jackson of Lincoln, and Omaha South qualified Thursday night for the semifinals in the state high school basketball tournament at the coliseum. Falls City meets Prep, and Jackson plays South Friday night.

Creighton Prep, tournament favorites, breezed thru to a 36-19 victory over Lincoln high, last year's winner. The young Bluejays presented an airtight defense, forcing the Red and Black to resort to numerous long shots.

Substitute Center Bob Duffy, who replaced injured Bill Guilfoyle, was a shining light on the Prep team, along with Guard Bob Roach. Leo McGinn, classy for-ward, also looked good. Fred Metheny was best for Lincoln.

#### Jackson Wins.

Jackson of Lincoln, the other favorite, walloped the previously undefeated Chappell crew 39-22. The capital suburbanites claimed only a 15-13 lead at halftime, and 25-20 at the end of the third quarter. Waldo Winter, big center, led the way as Jackson pulled away in the final period.

In the final game Thursday night, "Cornie" Collins' Omaha South high team won a tight bat-tle from Curtis 31-29. The score was tied 29 all at the end of the regular playing period, but South scored a field goal to win the ball game.

Falls City advanced to the semifinals when they beat Kearney 35-24. Jug Brown's team had a tough time with the Bearcats, and led by 16-15 at inter-mission. Kearney came up to a 22-22 tie, but Falls City pulled away to win. Hess, center, led the winners with 11 points, while Tom Journey made 10 for Kearney.

#### Bethany Upset.

Oakdale upset Bethany of Lincoln 26-18 in class B, after leading 14-11 at the half. The Lincoln school had won the class B title

# **Grapplers** leave for Big Six meet

### Knight, Huskers' best bet for a first, captains N. U. in conference championships at Ames

Led by Capt. Jim Knight, stel-lar 128 pounder, eight Husker all Big Six fullback and defendgrapplers and Coach Jerry Adam left this morning for Ames, Iowa and the Big Six wrestling meet. The meet will be held on the Iowa State mat today and tomorrow.

Oklahoma, defending champion, will be fighting for its eighth conference crown, but will be given strong competition from the three other schools entering full teams. Oklahoma, Kansas State, Nebras-ka and Iowa State will all have eight men in the meet. Missouri, hitherto inactive in wrestling, is entering one man.

#### Hackney entered.

Five former champs are entered. These include Elmer Hackney, heavy, Leon Reynard, 175, Gerald Van Fleet, 155, all of K-State, Hoy Stone, 128, of Okla-homa, and George Haynes, 121, all of Iowa State, 1937 king. Van Fleet and Haynes have been beat-Van en this year by Nebraska men. Nebraska's strongest entrants

are Jim Knight, beaten but once at 128 this year and runnerup last year, Bill Luke, who took third last year at 136, and Julius Wittmann, 145, who has defeated Van

Fleet this year. Three football men will grapple in the heavyweight class. This group is led by Elmer Hackney,

#### Alpha Chi's win in girls' basketball tournament

Play was begun yesterday in the girls intramural basketball tournament. The Alpha Chi's downed the Delta Gamma's first team 30 to 2 and Theta's first team defaulted to Raymond hall. The first games are in the form of a round robin in each of the eight leagues and then the winners of the league tournaments will participate in an elimination tournament.

ing champion, Waddy Young, All-America end from Oklahoma, and George Seemann, Nebraska.

The Husker team includes Milton Kuska, 121, Jim Knight, 121, Bill Luke, 136, Julius Wittmann. 145, Herb Rosenthal, 155, Shelley Condon, 165, Ray Tomes or Paul Fidler, 175, and George Seemann, heavyweight.

## Homer Wesche wins league scoring title

Homer Wesche, Kansas State mainstay, failed to break Frank Grove's Big Six scoring record but led final scoring in the league this year.

In ten games the elongated Wildcat made 151 points for an average of 15.10 points per game. Jimmie McNatt, Oklahoma star and holder of the individual game record of 29 points, is number two in line,

Bill Kovanda and Al Werner rank eighth and ninth respectively to lead Nebraska scorers in the conference. Bill garnered 87, Werner 80 in the ten games. The final standings:

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Wesche, K-State	10	52	47	29	151	15.10
McNatt, Oklahoma	10	58	14	20	130	13.00
Harris, Iowa State	10	41	43	13	125	12.50
Nicholas, Iowa State	. 9	38	25	20	111	12.33
Corbin, Oklahoma	10	45	12	20	102	10.20
Engleman, Kansas	10	36	21	11	93	9.30
Reid, K-State	10	36	15	17	87	8.70
KOVANDA, Neb.	10	35	17	26	87	8.70
WERNER, Neb.	10	35	10	19	80	8.00
Mesch, Oklahoma	- 9	25	26	19	76	7.60

### Phys ed club to present sound films next week

"Basketball for Women" and Tennis Topnotchers," sound films, will be presented for the public by the Women's Physical Education club, on Wednesday and Thursday of next week.



Panthers, in which George Sauer nearly got away for a touchdown which would probably have won for the Huskers.



Sutherland's departure Jock from Pittsburgh, altho it's hailed with sighs of relief from many partisans of the Panthers' foes, brings a little regret, too, especially to some of us who would like to have seen a Nebraska team defeat a Sutherland-coached Pitt aggregation. The chance is gone now along with the chance to defeat who were once the Pitt "pros," but who are becoming more and more just another college amateur team with respect to salaries or lack of them,

The purity wave, cause of Sutherland's decision to leave Pitt, had set in a couple of years ago, but Jock was still coach, and the more you consider the Scot's resignation, the more that 1937 13-7 loss hurts. Little less time or a little different luck would have made that 1937 crew the Destiny Team of Nebraska history, but alas and alack, such was not the case.

In case some of you didn't quite grasp the idea of the first paragraph in this column yesterday, it was referring to the 1932 scoreless tie between Nebraska and the

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far bears a similarity to Nebraska's in 1936-37 so far as major sports are concerned. The Sooners last fall and the

Huskers in 1936 both won the conference football championship, and both were undefeated, untied and unscored upon. Both the schools' basketball teams were co-champions, Nebraska with Kansas and Oklaho:na with Missouri. In addition, both teams won 7 and lost 3 games.

Oklahoma's athletic year thus for three years in a row, and Oakdale's victory establishes it as a favorite with Beaver Crossing in the tournament.

Other class B scores were: Beaver Crossing walloped Rushville 45-27; Gibbon beat Indianola 22-17; Hardy won from Humboldt 38-22.

In class C, Steinauer beat Sacred Heart 24-17; Ohiowa beat Guardian Angel 35-16; Hershey nipped Lebanon 17-16; Surprise won over Liberty 36-18.



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