

Fight Tourney To Highlight IM Schedule

Approximately 50 boxers will step into the ring March 17 to open the 1948 University of Nebraska boxing championships.

Matches will be staged on the raised Coliseum ring under the spotlights. Three instructors have been working to get all entrants in the best possible shape for the slugfest. Don Thiel has been grooming a squad of boxers at Huskerville, while Delbert Roth and Coach Buell Patterson have been putting other groups thru conditioning paces in the Coliseum.

Sixty-five Expected.

Before the opening gong at least 65 boxers are expected to qualify for the tourney and action for all three nights promises to be fast and furious. Bouts will be three rounds each, 1½ minutes per round.

Thus far no favorites can be picked, although some of the boys look outstanding in early workouts. Among these are Bob Edwards of Lincoln (165 lbs.), Jerry Ferguson, of Scottsbluff (165 lbs.), Roy Roth, of Lincoln, one of last year's stars (125 lbs.); Fran Mandula, heavyweight football player from Youngstown, Ohio; Jerry Hull (145 lbs.) of Ashland; Don Svoboda (heavyweight) of Lincoln; Bob Skochdople of Ravenna (145 lbs.); Orville Vandewege of Firth (155 lbs.); Gene Hinde of Salina, Kansas (135 lbs.); and Don Thiel of Lewellyn, one of last year's outstanding boxers at 155 pounds.

Husker Athletic Staff Covers Wide Mileage

Members of the University of Nebraska athletic staff are convinced that the state of Nebraska is as large as the state of Texas.

They obtained this impression in 1947 after traveling 36,338 miles, or one and one-half times around the world. Staff members visited 88 towns to show football and basketball movies and speak at various athletic dinners.

High Schools Covered.

This mileage total does not include a thorough coverage of high school basketball tournaments last spring when the staff fanned out over the state to watch the prep teams in action and to meet the athletes.

These 36,338 miles were covered in eight months, from January to May and from October to December. Of all the dates accepted, only twice did weather stop the safaris, once at Hamburg Ia., and another time at Sidney, Neb.

Two staff members spent one night in a ditch after sliding off a dirt highway in a driving rainstorm. On several occasions it was necessary to "hole up" for varying periods until highways were cleared of snow.

1948 Coverage.

In 1948 the athletic staff has covered a total of 4,454 miles from January 1 until March 5, appearing in 16 towns.

I.F.T. Wins Two Games In Play-Offs

I. F. T. copped two games in intramural basketball Monday night, tripping Lutheran V-5's, 32-31, in the semifinals of the Interdenominational League and winning the Independent League championship 29-24 from the Lilies.

The I. F. T. five took an early lead in the first half to put the Lilies behind by a 13-9 score at intermission. After halftime I.F.T. put on the pressure with Hess hitting the bucket twice and Duling adding two freethrows and a set-up. Hess was high man in the scoring column for I.F.T. with 12 points. German led the Lilies with three fielders and two gift tosses.

Hufnagle Field beat I.F.T. earlier in the season but the latter quintet came back in the play-offs to eliminate Hufnagle.

Play-off Postponed.

The play-off game for the All University championship between I.F.T. and Sigma Alpha Epsilon has been postponed indefinitely.

I.F.T. was given a scare by the Lutheran V-5's in the semifinals of the Interdenominational League but managed to grab a 32-31 victory.

The V-5 team led 16-13 at the end of the first half. However, the play of Kreizinger, Hess, and Kourovsky was enough to give I.F.T. the victory. Kourovsky was high scorer with nine points while Hess and Kreizinger dunked eight points respectively.

Center Jones hit five fielders to top the V-5's with ten points.

Box score:

I.F.T. (29)	fg	ft	pf	Lilies (24)	fg	ft	pf
Duling	3	2-4	3	Belling	1	0-2	0
Kourovsky	0	0-0	1	Blank	1	0-0	2
Hess	5	2-3	4	German	3	2-3	1
Kreizinger	1	2-3	1	Mountford	2	0-0	0
Hanson	2	1-2	1	Yelkin	1	0-0	0
				Bopp	0	2-4	0
				McClain	2	0-2	1

11 7-12 10 10 4-11 4

Jr. Jays, Islanders Meet in 1st Round Of State Tourney

Creighton Prep's hustling basketball team seems to be the favorite in the state high school basketball tourney which will swing into action today in the University Coliseum.

Prep shares the spotlight with Grand Island, last year's king, and Boys Town of Omaha. The Boys Town five knocked off the Jr. Jays earlier in the season, but fell before the Prep onslaught in their other two meetings.

Grand Island will face Prep in the opening round of play and the winner will be a definite favorite for the class A championship.

Harry Boykoff, former St. John's University cager, holds the individual scoring mark in collegiate basketball games played at Madison Square Garden. In his last game for the St. John's five in 1947, Boykoff scored 54 points against St. Francis to set the record.

Sooners Drop Kansas State In Cage Tilt

Oklahoma university defeated Kansas State's Big Seven Champions Monday night at Norman, 56-52. Sooner Guard Kenneth Pryor led in the scoring column with 20 points.

The victory tied Oklahoma with Missouri for second place in the Big Seven Conference.

The Sooners trailed until 18 minutes in the first half when they tied the count at 24-all. At halftime Oklahoma led 30-28.

Pryor sank ten baskets of 14 tries from the floor. The Wildcats top point-maker was Howard Shannon with 15.

Clarence Brannum and Jerry Patrick of Kansas State were removed from the game in the last minute of play because of injuries.

Brannum's bad knee was injured, while Patrick was knocked out but recovered. Neither was hurt seriously.

Okl'h'ma	fg	ft	f	Kas. St.	fg	ft	f
Courty f	5	5	1	Howey f	2	3	3
Jones f	0	1	3	Weathby f	0	0	0
Hughes f	0	0	0	Patrick f	0	0	1
Day f	0	0	1	Harmon f	4	4	1
Leake f	1	0	1	Krone f	0	0	0
Waters c	2	3	4	Thornton f	0	0	0
Lynn c	0	0	2	Brannum c	5	2	2
Merchant g	3	3	2	Clark c	0	0	1
Pryor g	10	0	1	Shannon g	6	3	4
				Johnson g	1	0	1
				Dean g	0	1	1
				Langton g	1	1	2

Totals 21 14 15 Totals 19 14 16
Score at half: Oklahoma 30, Kansas State 28.

Nebraska Host To Collegiate Rifle Tourney

Nebraska University will be one of the 12 host teams for the 1948 National Intercollegiate rifle team and individual championships to be fired Saturday, March 20.

Over 50 universities and colleges from all over the country have entered five-man teams in the shoulder-to-shoulder competition that will decide the 1948 championships.

Maryland Defending Champion.

Maryland university will be defending both the team and individual crowns. It won the 1948 championships with record scores for the 20-year-old tournament. Maryland posted 1408 points out of a possible 1500 in last year's tournament to become the second team ever to go over 1400 points. Iowa university scored 1403 in 1940.

Other host schools are Massachusetts university, U. S. Military Academy, U. S. Naval Academy, Wisconsin university, Louisiana State, Ohio State, Oklahoma A. & M., Farragut college, California university and the University of California at Los Angeles.

Former Winners.

The U. S. Naval Academy has won the tournament six times; Universities of Minnesota, Iowa and George Washington, twice each; and Cincinnati U., Maryland U., U. S. Military Academy and Carnegie Tech, once each.

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