

Benchwarmer

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Sports fans are probably the hardest people to please in the world. If a team isn't scoring enough points it is no good. If the other team happens to be fouling it is a dirty team, and if the officials start calling fouls on the home team—then they are not getting paid by the right team.

Yes, sports fans are funny. They would probably do anything for the home team up to and including murder but we love 'em just the same.

Of course there are some fans who get overly excited and start throwing things—like the certain fan in the east stands of the coliseum who tossed a ball of paper at the referee just before the half ended at Monday's game.

Now that fan probably didn't mean anything by doing that, but the player who might have stepped on it wouldn't have like it. He might have broken an arm or leg.

We're not taking up the cudgel for basketball referees but we must admit we feel sorry for them. We like to think of them as ordinary human beings who have probably been around in basketball circles for quite a time and who know something about the game.

Too many times the ref is thought of as a wierd monster who comes on the floor with a giant knife ready to cut in half the first player that makes a mistake against cage humanity. That myth was killed a few years back when it was proved that referees, like all other human beings, have two eyes, ears, legs, and arms.

Referees like many other human beings make mistakes—the only trouble is that their mistakes are more noticeable. Sports fans should give the ref an even break before they "holier" robber.

Weir Checks Track Squad

A "prevue of coming attractions" is on tap Saturday afternoon when cinder coach Ed Weir will present a dress rehearsal of his 1949 track squad. The public is invited to the trials beginning at 1:30.

Coach Weir will hold trials to select his squad for the approaching indoor season. The workout will be run off as an actual meet with all events. The pole vault and shot put will start at 1:30, with track events to start at 2.

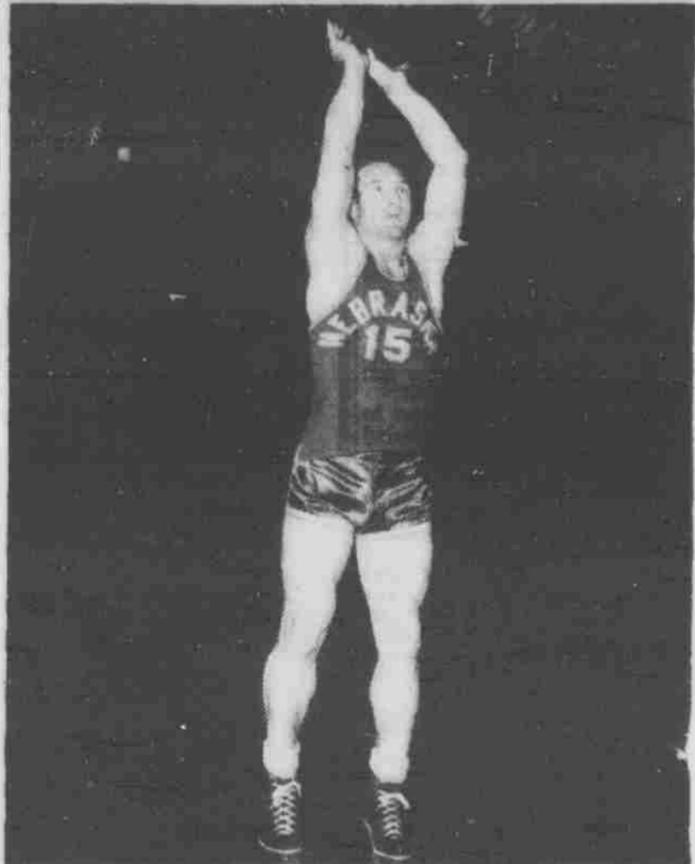
The meet is open to the public and the doors on the east stadium will be open.

A "feelout" was held last Saturday, but the turnout was disappointing in the number of candidates out. Coach Weir was, however, pleased with the showing made by the veteran members of his squad. Fritz Ware was very impressive along with Harold Kopf. The day's feature was a relap which matched the Omaha boys on the squad with the outstater. The outstate boys won despite a very fast lap turned in by Ware.

The size of the squad will be enlarged this week with the turnout of football players. Among these will be Dick Hutton, the Husker's top indoor sprinter last winter, and Charley Toogood who will feature in the weights.

The long awaited Talent Show consisting of talent gleaned from student ranks, and a dance will be held in the Union ball room at 9:00 p. m., Dec. 11.

Academy-Award winning movie "Miracle on 34th Street" is to be shown in the Union ballroom on Sunday night.



RUGGED CAMPAIGNER—Guard Bob Cerv of Weston is back at his post on the Nebraska basketball squad, doing top defensive work for Coach Harry Good. He leads the Huskers in Saturday night's battle with Iowa State Teachers at the Coliseum.

Volleyball Finals Start This Week

Volleyball final playoff series will be going on this week in the Physical Education building.

Matches will be played in the new building each day at 5 p. m., with the fraternity finals set for Friday and the all university finals set for next Monday.

Spectators have been invited to all basketball and volleyball contests.

Handball matches between teams will also be in full swing each day at 5 p. m. in the Coliseum basement. All the various bowling teams will also be continuing their final rounds of competition in all the alleys in Lincoln this week from 4 p. m. to 6 p. m.

SLEPT 20 YEARS

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Acacia	9	Sigma Nu	46
TKE	40	Delta Sigma Phi	9
Pioneer Co-op	23	SAE	14
ZBT	13	Phi Gam	36
Geology	10	AIKE	19
DT's	29	Lillee B	40
Dental School	34	Phi Alpha Delta	13
Spade Foots	18	White Kids	19
Architects	11	Phi Delta Phi	19
Bone Crushers	27	Profiteers	26

All N Club members are to report to west stadium at 12:30 on Dec. 9 to have a picture for the Cornhusker taken.

A.S.C.E. will meet Dec 8 in Parlors A, B, and C, at 7:15 p.m. in the Union. The program will include a short film and an important business meeting followed by refreshments.

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Colorado U Cage Squad Lacks Depth This Year

This is the third in a series of articles about future Cornhusker opponents. Other articles will appear as the season progresses.

Colorado's basketball squad will be better than last season but the extent of the improvement depends on how well Coach Forrest "Frosty" Cox's lads remember their experiences during the 1947-48 campaign.

The Buffs are young with no seniors on the squad and they lack the speed to match the current swift-breaking attacks.

Five Lettermen Back

However, the five returning lettermen appear to have sufficient height and are well versed in Cox's ball-control offense.

Four sophomores are expected to provide assistance during the 19-game schedule that opens in Boulder, Dec. 17, with the Michigan Wolverines, 1948 Big Nine champions, as the foe.

Cox lost two regulars from his '45 squad that won seven and lost 14. Leslie Metzger, veteran guard and sparkplug of the team, was ruled ineligible by the Big Seven interpretation of the junior college transfer rule. Russ Walseth, hustling little play-maker graduated in June.

Hills Back

Returning regulars are Kendall Hills and Bob Rolander, forwards, and Carr Besemann, center. Bill Ley, guard, and Rodney Bell, center, lettered last year and the former is slated for a starting

berth this season.

The 29-year-old Hill is expected to lead the Buffs in their bid for a high berth in the final Big Seven standings. He tips 180 pounds, stands 6-3, and won't be surpassed as a rebounder and defensive performer.

Last season, Hills hit 68 field goals and cashed in on 52 of 72 free throws for 188 points during the 21-game campaign.

Soph Quartet

The quartet of sophomores who plan to make the trips are Arnold Jjesky, forward, and Roger Stokes, Wayne Tucker and Eugene Rogers, guards. Tucker, a 6-2, 185 pounder, appears ready to crack the starting lineup. Pjesky, Stokes and Rogers are counted on to provide reserve strength.

Cox's 14-man squad averages 19 years of age, 6-1, and 181 pounds.

Last season the Buffs and Kansas shared the conference cellar with four victories and eight losses

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