

# ZBT Slams SAM; Pioneer '5' Falls

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The list of unbeaten intramural basketball teams was pared to eight Thursday night as Pioneer House, undefeated leader of league IV, met its doom in a two-over-time thriller with Theta Chi.

In knocking off the top team and also increasing their chances of gaining the seeded spot of that league in the coming playoffs, the Theta Chi casters were inflicted with a defeat of their own. TC sharpshooter, Don Mahannah, suffered a broken wrist in the fourth quarter of the contest and will probably be lost for the remainder of the year.

It was a low scoring affair, especially considering the double overtime, with Pioneer falling to its first defeat, 20-22.

The hero of the contest was the same Mahannah who played despite the wrist and sunk the winning basket with two minutes gone in the sudden-death extra stanza.

Mahannah's game-winner gave the contest to Theta Chi after every player and spectator was sure that Pioneer had won. To start the sudden-death period, the Pioneers grabbed the tip-off and began to press. With 30 seconds gone a Pioneer cager tried for the game-winning basket. To all intents and purposes he succeeded as the ball entered the basket and began to spin. The Pioneer followers began to cheer and jump around while the Theta Chi players slowly began to walk from the floor, but the impossible happened. The law of gravity must have reversed itself for instead of falling through, the ball popped up and out of the basket.

The Pioneers grabbed the rebound and with the Chi's so far out of position, had three more tries at that pesky goal, all of which were close but none successful. The Chi's back in the game, grabbed the rebound and shot down the floor to set up Mahannah's toss.

It was close all the way as the intermission scores read 3-3, 10-17.

Pioneer, 14-13 Theta Chi and 20-20 at the end of regulation play as well as at the end of the first overtime.

Jerry Miller and Marv Schuman of the Chi's led the scoring with nine and seven counters, respectively while Wes Beery and Jack Busell of Pioneer each garnered six.

Four playoffs berths were definitely settled in Thursday night play. Farm House "A" and Farm House "B" each won their respective league titles with wins while Newman Club took its fourth straight interdenominational title. Beta Theta Pi "B" grabbed the other playoff spot with second place in league VII.

The Farmers "A" outfit won its eleventh straight game of the season by thrashing Tau Kappa Epsilon, 39-11 with Aggie Jack Aschwege getting ten counters and Tete Remy McEwen collecting five.

The Farm House "B" squad finished the season undefeated with its tenth win, a 19-17 squeaker over Beta Theta Pi "B". Marvin Paneitz led the Aggie scoring cause with nine points and Keith Mumby was tops for the Beta Bees with seven.

Newman Club found itself in its tightest game of the year but had enough power to drop the Lutheran Student Association, 29-18. Center Bill Griffin of the Catholics led all scoring with 14 points while top man for the Lutherans was Bill Luther with nine.

Presby House climbed back into third place in league IX by felling the Methodist House, 29-18. A slow first half produced only a 9-5 Presby lead before the two outfits found their shooting eyes.

Norm Sothan, elongated Presby center led all scoring by dumping in 15 points assisted by teammate Stan Smith with eight. Wayne Roelle and Rich Satterfield garnered six and five for the losers.

Zeta Beta Tau won its big one by blasting Sigma Alpha Mu with a 51-15 lacing. The Zetas were in command all the way as they rolled to a 20-3 halftime margin.

Arnie Stern, ZBT center, topped the evening's scoring with 15 points followed by Doran Jacobs with ten and Arly Boidarin with a similar count.

League X continued to muddle itself even farther in two Friday contests. NROTC knocked off the high flying Shortys and Nebraska Co-op outlasted the Dorm A Stars.

Only the Dorm A Comets have clinched a playoff berth in this balanced league and that could be either of the first four positions.

Navy finally broke their second half jinx and after leading the Shorty's, 18-13 at halftime, continued the pace and went on to win by a 31-23 count.

Jim Clark of Navy led the scorers with nine points to his credit, while Bruce Engle topped the losers with six.

Nebraska Co-op ran all over the favored Stars for the first 15 minutes and then had to beat off a determined one-man scoring machine in the person of Star Bill Kennedy to capture a 42-39 victory.

Behind the scoring prowess of Don Holmes and Don Gabriel, the Nebraskans rolled to a 24-17 first half lead and with the added help of Alan Aden continued to impress, leading at the three-quarter mark, 34-23.

Still the Nebraskans were not through as in the next six minutes they had pumped their margin to 42-25. Then Kennedy arrived on the scene.

Wild Bill tossed in five straight buckets without a miss in a period of two minutes, all five shots coming while he was traveling at full speed. Don Mattox and Keith Kohrs each contributed a two pointer and the pressure was on.

Other Thursday scores were: Acacia 29, Delta Sigma Phi 14; Cornhusker Co-op 39, Norris House 15; Delta Upsilon B 18, Sigma Nu B 16; Phi Gamma Delta B 46, Phi Delta Theta B 29; Phi Kappa Psi 69, Beta Upsilon 19; Alpha Gamma Rho B 30, Kappa Sigma B 11; Ramblers 30, Warriors 22; Sigma Alpha Epsilon B 38, Sigma Phi Epsilon B 31; and Beta Theta Pi 35, Kappa Sigma 28.

## NU Sport Calendar

The University of Nebraska athletic teams will all be seeing action this week, with the exception of the gymnastic squad. The schedule for the week is as follows:

**MONDAY—Feb. 18:** Basketball game between Nebraska and Oklahoma at Norman.

**WEDNESDAY—Feb. 20:** Wrestling match, Nebraska-Oklahoma A.M., at Stillwater.

**FRIDAY—Feb. 22:** Swimming meet between Nebraska and Grinnell College, 3 p.m. at the Coliseum pool.

**SATURDAY—Feb. 23:** Nebraska high school swimming championships at the Coliseum pool.

**Kansas-Nebraska** wrestling match at Manhattan, Kan.

Track meet between Oklahoma and Nebraska under the east stadium.

# Can 'Bucky' Get Record?

A 170-pound 6-footer from Avilla, Ind., made his last appearance on the red and blue planks and Kansas can be thankful. Turning the perimeter of the KU defense like a Florida racing hound, Jim pumped home 19 points in the teams' first meeting in Lincoln this winter. His 13-digit barrage in the last half forced Kansas to the limit to collect a 69-66 triumph.

In six games against the Mt. Oreadans, Buchanan has averaged 11.9 points. He got only 10

of those markers as a sophomore in 1950. Last year he harvested 42 in three games.

His latest salvo was a 24-point explosion at Boulder last Monday as the Scarlet went down, 67-66, before Colorado. Buchanan is among Big Seven scoring leaders with a 16.6 average in seven games and is traveling at 16.8 over the full route of 19.

The latter item is important since the Cornhusker guard's 319 points have pulled him within hailing distance of Bob Pierce's all-time Husker single-season school record of 384. The angular center wrote this into the books last year. Buchanan needs just 65 more markers in NU's final five games to tie that figure.

By maintaining his current average, Buchanan also can eclipse Claude Retherford's all-time Husker career scoring ceiling of 815 tallies collected in 1947-48-49. With 740 points in Husker silks, Buchanan needs 76 to vault past the gangling old projector of the "holster-heave."

Obviously, Buchanan is one of the league's most prolific point-smiths. It follows that he is, if not the most difficult, little man in the wheel, to cover. Not only is he swift and tireless but feints quickly enough to create his own openings out of the dribble. He can go all way without the give-and-go. He also is a nifty playmaker frequently hitting teammates off the drive for easy buckets.

Here is his record against Kansas:

Year	FG	FT	F	TP
1950	3	2	3	8
1951	8	0	1	16
1952	6	3	0	15
Totals	32	9	10	71

Editor's note: This article omits Buchanan's performance against the University of Kansas last Saturday. His points are not included in the above figures.

# Nebraska Grapplers Lose, 21-7

Nebraska's wrestling team took its fifth straight mat loss Friday night when the University of Colorado grapplers set them down with a 21-7 mat lesson.

The Cornhusker team was able to gain only one victory. Ed Lane decisively Bill Lindsay in the 137-pound class, 7-1. Perry Leitel and Ed Hussman of Nebraska, were able to gain



**GRAPPLING IN A RUT . . .** Nebraska's wrestling coach, Al Parlin, is more than slightly concerned over his team's fifth consecutive mat loss.

respectively. Lane drew with Bill French with 5 apiece and Hussman got a draw with Bob Schaik, 6-6.

draws in their matches in the 147-pound and heavyweight bouts. Jerry Wolpa was the only victim of a pinning. Wolpa was flopped by Paul Neville in 7:30. Neville put a cradle on the sturdy Husker 137-pound entrant for the three counts.

Summary:  
123-pound—George Artemis (C) decisively Jim Farris (N), 8-3.  
130-pound—Lino Lons (C) decisively Darrell Adamson (N), 5-2.  
137-pound—Paul Neville (C) pinned Jerry Wolpa (N), 7:30.  
147-pound—Perry Leitel (N) in a draw with Bill French (C), 5-5.  
157-pound—Ed Lane (N) decisively Bill Lindsay (C), 7-1.  
167-pound—Royal Smith (C) decisively Leo Heez (N), 5-2.  
177-pound—Maynard Skinner (C) decisively Dave Mackie (N), 5-1.  
Heavyweight—Ed Hussman (C) in a draw with Bob Schaik, 6-6.  
Exhibition—123-pound—Tom Torgeson (C) decisively Don Bean (N), 3-1.

# Stan Schaeztle Drops Out Of School; Plans Unknown

Stan Schaeztle, one of the two former Omaha South high school basketball cagers who was involved in the recent Kansas State illegal recruiting dispute, has returned home.

Schaeztle, who was graduated from the Omaha school at mid-term, withdrew from the Manhattan institution leaving no word of his future plans with officials.

The other player, Dave Bell, is remaining at Kansas State to hear the final decision on the question

of his eligibility. The school officials had declared the boys ineligible until the matter could be settled at the conference meeting, Feb. 29-March 1.

The affair started when University of Nebraska basketball coach, Harry Good, accused the Wildcat school of illegal recruiting by violating the new conference regulation forbidding the approaching of athletes off campus. Good's accusation that the boys were tried out by Jack Gardner was denied by the Wildcat men.

## Athletic Director Clark



SO WHAT ARE YA GONNA DO? . . . The University of Nebraska athletic director, George "Potsy" Clark, will be representing the Cornhusker school at the Big Seven conference meeting at the end of this month. (Daily Nebraskan Photo.)

Second in the nation in forward passing offense, the University of Missouri's 1951 team did not place any of its individual passers in the top-fifty bracket.

George (Potsy) Clark, University of Nebraska's director of athletics, was named quarterback on the all-time University of Illinois team picked by a ballot of former Illini athletes.

# Diercks Proves Basketball Ability At IS

(Daily Nebraskan Sport Feature)

The kid who "would never be able to play basketball" is now the aggressive darling of Iowa State cage fans.

Delmar Diercks, the gangling kid from Mason City, caused only groans and cries of "take him out" when he entered Iowa State games a year ago. Today he gets ovations when Coach Clayton Sutherland takes him out to rest.

His latest proofs of basketball stature came in the game against Kansas here last Monday. For the second straight time this year Diercks held All-American Clyde Lovellette to less than 20 points. Barely a week earlier he had stopped the towering Kansas with 17 points at Lawrence and put enough offensive pressure on him that he fouled out of the game 37 seconds before the third period was over. Monday he improved on that record. At Kansas he had counted 12 points to Lovellette's 17. Monday he stopped Lovellette with 13 points, caused him to foul out of the game halfway through the third period and scored 15 points!

When did all this change take place? From a "feature angle" it took place in a hotel room in Kansas City, Dec. 27. Big Delmar sat thinking about the upcoming tournament game with Missouri that night. He knew he might get into the game to help rest Jim Stange, the Cyclone center. It was a logical assumption for he had spelled the Davenport senior in each of the other five games of the year. Hadn't been very impressive either, although smoother than a year before. In fact he had scored just 5 points for a 1-point average.

If he ever was going to be a basketball player, he said to himself, now is the time to start, tonight. When Coach Chick Sutherland substituted him against the Tigers he'd become a basketball player, he promised himself.

If Diercks makes good on all his promises as he did on that one he's going to be a terrific farmer or business man or anything else he takes a mind to be.

Facing rugged Bill Stauffer, just about the best of the centers from an all-around point of view, Diercks slipped in 10 points, doubling his previous output for FIVE games. His play on the boards was the talk of the tournament—not because it was the greatest seen at Kansas City but because it represented such an improvement over the 1950 play of the Mason City string bean.

Against Stanford in that unbelievable 162-162 overtime contest he was the center and Stange went to a forward. He counted 9 points in that one and played a whale of a board game again. In the final against Nebraska he was the starting center and scored 17 points to make a total of 27 in the three games. Last year in 17 games he scored exactly 37 points!

From then on the big kid improved. His eye is not great yet but it is getting sharper every game. And his defense! In a day when defense means holding the sharpshooters to less than 20 points he has done a great job. He

held Lovellette to 17 and 13 in the two games, as already mentioned. Following his 17-point job on Lovellette at Lawrence he moved to Oklahoma and shut Bob Waller, sensational Oklahoma center, out from the field. Waller had one free throw to show for his work that night.

Today, after 15 games, Diercks has scored 107 points. That is an average of better than 10 a game since the time he decided "now was the time to be a basketball player."

That was the "feature" angle of the rise of Delmar Diercks, basketball player. The real story, as always in these cases, is a combination of desire, willingness to pay the price and a lot of hard work.

As a 6 foot, 7-inch freshman, Diercks weighed 163 pounds. A special 5-meal-a-day diet was arranged for at the hospital and boosted his weight to 178. The first time the big fresh scrimmaged he lost 11 of those precious pounds!

As a sophomore last year Diercks spelled Sy Wilhelm, Cyclone captain and center. He was awkward, ungainly, BUT as scrappy as any little man that

ever played the game. Last summer Diercks spent nearly as much time in the Mason City YMCA playing basketball as he did with his 4-H projects on the home farm near Mason City. Hour after hour he shot baskets and worked to gain a more graceful action on the court.

The payoff comes every game now for the big kid. That grin that stretches from ear to ear up there 6 foot, 8-inch from the maples shows that Big Dee knows that the work his coaches and he have shared for three years is paying off now.

"We've had a lot of great centers here at Iowa State," Sutherland says, "but this Diercks will bow to none of them when he hangs up his No. 24 in 1953. He's earned everything he is getting—and believe me, he's accumulating more and more every game."

Yes, the wavy-haired blond has become a basketball player. That long trail which had its first triumph late in his senior year at Mason City when he became a regular is opening new vistas of greatness for a kid who decided "the time had come to be a basketball player."

**Main Feature Clock**  
Schedule Furnished by Theatres  
Esquire: "Manon," 7:24, 9:06.  
Varsity: "Man in the Saddle," 1:35, 3:37, 5:39, 7:41, 9:43.  
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