



OKLAHOMA RELAY CHALLENGERS... These four men may comprise the Big Seven champion one mile relay team at the conference outdoor track and field championships at Norman, Okla., May 16-17. The Sooners will be strongly contended by the Kansas relay team, which has gained much prominence from the Texas, Kansas and Drake Relay exhibitions. Members are (from left to right) J. W. Mashburn, Don Crabtree, Quannah Cox and Jim Wilkinson.

# Kansas Favored To Win Big Seven Outdoor Crown

By MARSHALL KUSHNER Sports Editor

The University of Missouri will have a hard time retaining their Big Seven conference outdoor track championship.

All information points to a University of Kansas victory in this Saturday's track and field championship at Norman, Okla.

The Jayhawks won their last outdoor title in Lincoln when they nudged out Nebraska in the 1946 meet.

The Oklahoma Sooners and Kansas State Wildcats will probably end up fighting it out for the runner-up spot in the final standings.

The Sooners are loaded with top quartermilers and are fairly solid in almost all events. The Wildcats will again depend on their individual standouts to carry the burden of the load.

The Cornhuskers of Nebraska, Missouri and Colorado and Iowa State will probably all be fighting for first division money, with the real battle coming from the first three teams.

This year's meet will probably have one of the finest 440 yard dash fields in conference history and it is quite conceivable that a record might result from this race.

The Oklahoma Sooners have four excellent entries in the quarter-mile and the Bill Easton's Kansas team will enter several fine runners. Adding the name of Thane Baker, the race could prove very close.

Baker will undoubtedly prove one of the outstanding performers of the meet. He will be shooting for the records in the 100-yard dash (9.4) and 220-yard dash (21.3). He has covered the latter route in 20.8 seconds this year.

The mile relay record is also in jeopardy. Kansas and Oklahoma will renew their clash for supremacy in this event. The two teams have met in the Drake, Texas and Kansas relays this season and the Jayhawks came out on top each time.

Easton's West Santee and Herb Semper will be out after the mile and two mile records. Santee, the sensational sophomore,

more, has run a 4:07.3 mile this year and the carrot-top Semper will be out to better his old mark.

Neville Price will be out for the board jump title and he'll find tough competition in this event. Price has cracked the 25-foot mark this year and will cope with threats from Verly Switzer and Gene Wilson of Kansas State and Glenn Beerline and Irv Thode of Nebraska.

Nebraska's main hopes for blue ribbon honors lie in senior hurdler ler from North Platte, Don Bedker. Bedker has two of the best times in the conference in the timber-topping races.

Norman will also be the host to the conference golf and tennis championships. The Sooners won both crowns last year and from all appearances, they will be in a three-way brawl for links honors with Iowa State and Nebraska.

## Iowa State's Busy Calendar Calls For Designing New Title

This is "conference week" for Iowa State spring sports teams.

The track, tennis and golf teams will seek Big Seven honors at Norman Friday and Saturday.

Monday activity will see Iowa State facing Drake twice—in track at Des Moines and in track at Ames. The track meet will start at 5 p.m.—an innovation to allow fans to attend classes and work before getting to the meet.

Friday and Saturday the University of Kansas baseball team will be in Ames with the games starting at 3:30 p.m., Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday.

The Cyclones will close its 1952 dual track season at home Monday, facing powerful Drake.

The meet will start at 5 p.m. on Cl-de Williams field. The late starting time was set by Coach Burl V. Berry to give students and townspeople a chance to see the meet after classes or after work.

Drake, boasting one of the greatest teams in its history, is figured to win the meet. Superior running strength is expected to be the key for the predicted Bulldog victory.

Led by Jim Lavery, Dewey Johnson and Jim Ford, the Bulldogs are figured to win all running events. Arnold Betton in the high jump is favored to win that event since he has hit better than six feet 8 inches this year.

Cyclones who should win include Jim Robertson in the shot and discus, John Wilkin in the pole vault and possibly Jim Kent in the broad jump.

Varsity "The River," 1:26, 3:31, 5:36, 7:41, 9:46.

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Table with 3 columns: Event, Name, School, Year. Includes 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, 440-yard dash, etc.

# Resignations Of Mehrling, Rideout Effective June 30; Schneider Named Trainer

Neal Mehrling, assistant coach at the University of Nebraska since 1948, has resigned to accept a government position, Athletic Director George Clark announced Saturday.

The resignation is effective June 30. Mehrling had coached at Lincoln High, Salida, Colo., La Junta, Colo., and at Adams State College, Alamosa, Colo., before returning to his alma mater.

Blaine Rideout, trainer of University teams since 1948, also has resigned, effective June 30. Rideout will enter business at Dallas, Tex.

Paul Schneider, assistant trainer since October 1948, will succeed Mr. Rideout, Athletic Director Clark said. Schneider served in the Army Air Force with service in the Pacific during World War II. He was a captain at the time of his separation from the service.

Bob Holmes, now on leave of absence, is serving in the Army Air Force. Holmes is an assistant trainer and is expected to return when his tour of duty ends.



PAUL SCHNEIDER... Has been named the new head trainer to succeed Blaine Rideout, whose resignation is effective June 30. Athletic Director George Clark made the announcement of Schneider's new appointment.

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# Nebraska Title Hopes Dimmed By IS Loss

By MARSHALL KUSHNER Sports Editor

Nebraska's baseball dreams of winning the Big Seven baseball title this year were all but blown to smithereens by the Iowa State Cyclones last Saturday.

The Cyclones whipped the Cornhuskers in a doubleheader, 2-1 and 2-0, at Ames.

In the first game of the doubleheader, Ray Novak dropped his first loss after winning four straight games for Nebraska. He allowed only three hits, but his teammates were able to garner only six hits off Chuck Lahring of the Cyclones.

Jerry Dunn was able to collect two hits, while Bob Reynolds, Bob Diers, Bill Giles and Murray Backhaus got one hit apiece.

The Cyclones scored both runs in the fourth inning while the Huskers picked up their lone tally in the seventh.

A beautiful catch by substitute outfielder Seeverson of Iowa State saved the Cyclones in the second game of the twin bill.

Seeverson snagged a long drive to right field by Ray Mladovich and then doubled Milt Frei at home after the tremendous catch. The sacks were full when Seeverson performed his little miracle.

In the second game, Pat Mallette, Dick McCormick and Franny Hofmaier combined to throw a nice four-hitter at their hosts, but the Huskers were held to a scant two hits.

Leftfielder Dick Christoph and centerfielder Bob Diers were the two Nebraska batters able to get to Charles Stone for hits.

The weather was damp and cold at Ames for the teams but did not effect the caliber of play in either tilt. Both teams played good ball and errors were conspicuous for their absences in both games.

Stone drew credit for the win and credit for striking out 11 batters. Pat Mallette, right-handed ace of Coach Tony Sharpe, took the loss.

The two losses left the Huskers far afield in the league leading Missouri Tigers. The Tigers have a might rugged schedule to complete before they can sew up the title however.

Oklahoma, last year's conference champs and National Collegiate Athletic association kings, will play host to the Tigers at Norman, Okla., and Nebraska rooters will have their fingers crossed.

But before the Missourians journey to Soonerland they must battle the Huskers. A doubleheader between Nebraska and Missouri is slated for Monday and Tuesday at Columbia.

If the Huskers can win both of these games from the Tigers and provided the Huskers win the rest of their schedule and the Missourians drop a single encounter of their remaining docket, Nebraska can still win the title.

The Huskers will be at a large disadvantage since they play one game less than the Tigers this year. Missouri must play Colorado at Boulder. Their only loss was to Kansas State.

Fran Hofmaier will probably be given the starting assignment against Missouri Monday and either Ray Novak or Charlie Wright will fling against the Tigers Tuesday.

George Wilcox, who started on the mound for The Nebraskan staff, was the winning pitcher, while Don Noble of The Cornhusker was the loser. Both twirlers were relieved early in the contest.

The Daily Nebraskan grabbed an early point advantage in their half of the first inning when Bob Reichenbach led off with a single and was sent home on Wilcox's double. Dale Reynolds' triple and score later in the frame put the Nebraskans well in the lead.

Other leading Nebraskan participants were Frank Munk, Don Pieper, Jerry Robertson, Sue Gordon, Ed Berg, Jan Steffen, Ken Rystrom and Arnie Stern.

Cornhusker standouts were J. Benedict, Marty Lewis, Gene Johnson, Barbara Bell, Julie Johnson, Jim Adams, Dick Billig and Dick Ralston.

Two plate umpires officiated for the game in order to dispense with all argument. They were Mary Lou Flaherty and Sally Hall, Cornhusker and Nebraskan staff members, respectively.

The game was a revengeful one for The Daily Nebraskan staff, which lost to The Cornhusker team last year.

The New York Yankees' rookie outfielder, playing against Boston, went hard after a long fly ball lofted off the bat of Red Sox pitcher Maurice McDermott.

In doing so, Cerv hit the fence going at full speed with the side of his body. Cerv dropped the ball into the sands and it was later ruled a home run. The blow scored three runs for the Sox.

Cerv was badly shaken up as a result of the collision, but walked off the field under his own power.

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Cerv Meets Fence Bobby Cerv, former University of Nebraska baseball and basketball star, smacked into the left field fence in Yankee stadium Saturday.

Bob Diers... The Cornhusker centerfielder was the only member of Coach Toly Sharpe's team to collect a hit in both games against Iowa State. Diers got 2-5 in the series.

Lewandowski Receives New Chairmanship A. J. Lewandowski, business manager of athletics at the University, has been named a member of the executive committee for the College World Series.

This is the series whereby nine of the country's best college teams meet to play for the college championship. This year's tournament has been slated for Omaha, Neb., June 12-16. Oklahoma university won the championship last year.

Lewandowski will be the chairman of the tournament rules and regulations committee.

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