

# ATO's Beat Fiji B's; Mustangs, Co-op Win

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The heads continued to roll in intramural basketball Tuesday and Wednesday as the two-week rest from court action introduced no change pertaining to the closeness of this year's title-chase.

Previously undefeated and top-ranked freshman Phi Gamma Delta, saw a good-sized slice of their championship plans dissolving as Alpha Tau Omega "B" shocked the Weeji Fijis, 33-26. To make matters even worse for the "B" leaders, it was a band of junior Taus who had not won a game all year.

Five points per quarter were all the Phi Gamma were able to muster through the first three stanzas. Meanwhile the Tau-bees were increasing their margin slowly and led 26-15 going into the final frame. The fourth period was typical Phi style but it was too little and too late.

Rod Schroeder led the victorious Taus with 12 points and was assisted by Mac Bailey who tallied an additional nine. Rex Fischer was all the losers had to offer, getting nine counters.

Third Independent-ranked and seventh in the All-U ratings, the Hoopsters failed to maintain their high perch Wednesday night. The Hoopsters with a 5-4 record, the loss coming on a forfeit, fell before a furious Mustang onslaught and lost 23-28. Again, it was a case of the victor being way down in the ratings, the Mustangs having only an even record in their last six starts.

Close for three and a half periods, the game swung definitely in favor of the Mustangs in the closing minutes as Larry Schmidt hit three consecutive fielders and John Machisic potted another.

Until then, the Hoopsters had the count tied 11-11 at halftime and 18-18 at the three-quarters mark and even owned a 20-26 and 22-20 leads before dissolving.

Virg Gottsch of the losers topped

the individual efforts with 11 points followed by Schmidt of the Mustangs with nine. Machisic and Dennis Gress contributed six to the winning effort while Bob Kremke added a similar total to the Hoopster final tally.

Nebraska Co-op, with a 4-1 record and losing only to the Hoopsters, came from far behind Wednesday night to blast the Q-Balls by a 26-26 score. The unrated Q's started fast and with five minutes gone had built an impressive 11-2 margin and appeared to have the situation well in hand.

The Co-opers had other ideas, however, and came back in a rush to tie the count at 11-11 as Alan Aden hit two fielders and Bob Dostal potted one goal and three free tosses. Jim Worth's free throw was the only Que Ball point in the last five minutes of the stanza and gave the losers a 12-11 advantage during the rest period.

The Nebraskans continued their pace during the second canto and with Don Gustafson contributing the bulk of the points, shot into a 23-17 halftime bulge. The tempo slowed considerably from there on and the Co-op coasted in to win.

Worth's 12 points for the losing cause gave him individual scoring honors for the day. Dostal's 11 led the winners while Aden of the Co-op and Frank Reeves of the Ques each potted ten.

# Await Gym Triangular



UNDEFEATED GYMNASIS... Coach Jake Geier's Nebraska gym squad will defend their undefeated record Saturday afternoon in a triangular meet with North Dakota and Kansas State. No admission fee will be charged for the meet, which gets under way at 2 p.m. in the Physical Education building. Left to right, standing: Bob Bevington, manager; Dave Brand, Coach Geier, Bert Linn, Dick Kaecke. Kneeling: Don Hodge, Danny Fogel, Tom Kidd, Chuck Sprague, Max Kennedy.

# Nebraska Cagers To Oppose 'Cats

By GLENN NELSON

Coach Harry Good's Nebraska cage squad, currently tied for third place in the Big Seven race with the Missouri Tigers, battle a highly-favored Kansas State quintet Saturday night in the Coliseum. Tipoff time is set at 8 p.m.

Should the Huskers upset the nation's fifth-ranking club, chances for upper division spot in the final standings will be secure.

Kansas State guards Bob Rousey and Gene Stauffer, who have recently been drilling the baskets with extreme regularity, may be the men providing the trouble for the Cornhuskers.

In recent years, it has been Wildcat guards which have given Coach Harry Good's Cornhuskers the most offensive fits. Two seasons ago, it was all-American Ernie Barrett and Jimmy Iverson who broke the Wildcat-Cornhusker games wide open from their guard posts. In three games that year against Nebraska, Barrett poured in 44 points and Iverson 28. Dick Knostman, the Cats' big offensive gun this season threw in 25 during those three outings.

Last year, Wildcat guards Iverson and Gene Wilson, a sub, dealt misery to NU. Iverson cut loose a 23-point barrage at Manhattan and followed a 15-point burst at Lincoln. Wilson hit 13 points at Lincoln, while Knostman accounted for 15 at Manhattan and eight at the Coliseum while feeding the fastbreaking Iverson and Wilson.

Now Bob Rousey and Gene Stauffer are on hand to bother the Huskers. Stauffer, who hit 24 points for the Wildcats against Iowa State, is averaging 15.3 points in three Big Seven games this year. Rousey, having his greatest season, is moving at a 15.5 pace in two games. He missed the Iowa State contest because of injuries.

K-State Coach Jack Gardner's Wildcats are keeping up a well-balanced scoring attack, with four players having scored at least 112 points. Knostman, pivot man for the Wildcats, leads with 264 counters for a 22-point per game average. Stauffer has 126 for the season, Jess Priscock, forward, has 115, and Rouser has 112. Sophomore Jim Smith is close behind with 92.

Note the change in starting time at the Coliseum to 8 p.m.

# Seven Vets Begin Early Ball Drills

Coach Tony Sharpe issued the first call for baseball players and was greeted with seven returning lettermen. The baseballers began practice Feb. 2.

The pitching staff shows the most potential power as it is bolstered by five returning veterans. Leading the list of lettermen are Ray Novak and Chuck Wright. Novak was the leading man on the mound squad as he compiled a 5-win, 2-loss record. Wright ran a close second with a 2-0 record.

Other returning lettermen are Pat Mallette, Dick McCormick, and Fran Hoffmaier. Bob Kremke and Don Maenster also saw action during the last season. Other hurlers that have reported are Ray Weigert, Doug McPherson, Harold Andrews, Dean Hutchins, Bob Brown, and Ron Smith.

Leading the list of returning catchers is Murray Bachus. Bachus is the only returning letterman in the catching ranks. Other backstoppers are Chuck Jensen, Jerry Sandulite, Jim Cedarschah, and Don Becker.

The infielders and outfielders are to report for practice on Monday, February 8. Bob Reynolds is the only veteran infielder, and Jerry Dunn is the leading outfield prospect.

The diamond squad is now holding practice in the Field House under the direction of assistant coach Ed Berg. Berg is taking charge of the workouts, while Sharpe is busy coaching the freshman basketball squad.

Aggies and turned in a good job under the boards.

If Jaegerard can flash the form he showed in early games he'll give the Buffs a big lift in the return to form of Bob Jaegerard, slump-ridden since partnership. The 6-3 sophomore is the Kansas City tourney. Jaegerard bagged 12 points against the

# Huskers Play Buffs Monday

Colorado's Buffaloes hope Nebraska is a better host than visitor. Coach Bebe Lee's basketballers meet the Cornhuskers at Lincoln Monday night in a Big Seven bout.

The hot-shooting Huskers were rude guests at Boulder as they topped the Buffs 80-65 in the loop opener for both clubs in January. Nebraska clicked on 43 per cent of its field goal attempts in that game to turn the tables on a Colorado quint which had stopped them 67-54 a week earlier in the Big Seven pre-season tournament.

Bully Art Bunte, who scored 20 points against the Huskers at Boulder, will lead the Colorado invasion. The nifty Denver sophomore is currently moving along at a 16.9 clip after 13 games.

Lanky Burdette Halderon strengthened his runnerup spot in the Buff scoring column with an 18-point night against Colorado A & M to boost his average to 12.2.

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# Basketball, Baseball, Wedding Chimes Included On Varsity Athlete's Agenda

By HOWARD YANN  
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During the past few years, Cornhusker fans have been exposed to such great basketball names as Bus Whitehead, Bob Pierce, and

Jim Buchanan. Another potential all-Big Seven player, named Fred Seger, is now being groomed from Nebraska.

Seger swished a long shot to tie the record.

He considers the long shot and a jump shot as his two best.

Last year Fred flew in an airplane for the first time when the team travelled to Florida to play two contests against Tampa and Miami.

Fred, a 6-4 junior from Omaha, has been playing the cage sport for the Cornhuskers for three years. During the 1950-51 season, he played for the yearling squad. After that year of experience, Seger was moved up to the first team and shared the guard slots with Joe Good and Jim Buchanan.

Before coming down to the University of Nebraska, Fred attended Benson High in Omaha. He played on the school's cage squad his senior year but his main emphasis was on baseball. He lettered three years in the diamond sport and was named all-city in 1948 and again in 1949.

Fred would rather hang a defeat on Kansas than any other team in the league. He also thinks that there is also more rivalry when NU plays a conference game than when they play an outside game.

As for the future, Fred would like to nail a job playing with the Phillips Oilers. After he graduates from Teachers College, he is interested in a coaching job.



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**FREDDY SEGER** - Nebraska's current scoring leader with 167 points.

As far as tournament play goes, Fred has played in the Nebraska high school games in 1949 and in Big Seven tournaments last year and this season. The Bumbee came in third in the state in 1949 after being defeated by Lincoln North-east.

Fred attributes a lot of his success to his two coaches, Scotty Orcutt from Benson and NU's Harry Good. He said that both coaches were "very good."

When asked how he thought the Huskers would wind up this season, Fred stated that a lot depended on the outcome of tomorrow's game against Kansas State.

"If we win the game Saturday, I think that we will wind up in third or higher. We have enough height to give them a fight under the boards and I think that we are the best shooting team in the league.

# Huskers Have Full Schedule

Coach Harry Good's Cornhusker basketballers won't be the only Nebraska athletes in action Saturday night.

There will be action on every sports front. Coach Ed Weir's track team competes in its second meet of the year, a triangular with Colorado and North Dakota, and the minor sports schedule is full.

Coach Web Emery's swimming team will be shooting for its second win of the season over the Kansas Jayhawks in a home meet, and at the same time will be trying to hit the 500 mark. Nebraska edged KU, 47-45, at Lawrence earlier, and lost to Grinnell and Oklahoma.

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# KU Defends Long Home Floor String

Kansas will be protecting its fourth longest home court winning streak in history Saturday when Missouri invades Hoch auditorium at Lawrence.

With four wins in the happen this winter, Phog Allen's amazing 1953 troupe now has chained together 16 consecutive triumphs on its home planks. This stretches back to the final game of the 1951 season when the Jayhawks felled Iowa State, 70-64. Last year's NCAA champions won all 11 of their home starts. This year's crew has disposed of SMU twice, Oklahoma A&M and Kansas State.

The latter portion of this string is the most remarkable. A&M was fifth-ranked nationally when the Jayhawks handed the Cowpokes a 65-53 stunner Jan. 8. They followed by knocking Kansas State off the top of both AP and UP national polls with an 80-66 spanking Jan. 17. The Mustangs, Southwest conference tournament winners, were belabored, 83-66, and 72-55.

This means the Hawkers, lowly rated in pre-season forecasts, own an average point-spread of 15-per game over the enemy at Hoch. Furthermore, A&M's 12-point deficit represents the tightest victory margin to date.

This 16-game skein is surpassed only by streaks of 26, 23 and 21 by great Kansas units of the past. The all-time mark was erected with undefeated home stands in 1938 and 1940, a four-game bud in the closing stages of 1938 and a six-game extension through 1941. The NCAA runners-up of '40, a crew of Dick Harp, now Jayhawk assistant coach; Ralph Miller, Bob Allen and Howard Englemann, were the prime engineers of this string. Oklahoma snipped it in the 1941 conference finale with a 45-37 conquest.

The 23-game chain was authored chiefly by the Helms Foundation-designated national champions of 1922 and 1923 which included George Rody, A. E. Woestmeyer, John Wolf, Paul Endacott, Charles Black No. 1, Waldo Bowman and Tus Ackerman. This string also extended through 1924, Kansas State snapping it with a 40-28 victory in the home opener of '25.

This streak was constructed in the cramped confines of ancient Robinson gym, since no game was staged at Hoch until '26.

A combination of Dick Wells, Paul Harrington, Bill Johnson, Elmer Schaeke and Gordon Gray, inaugurated the 23-game stretch in '26. It was continued by most of the eventual unbeaten Big Six champions of 1936, Ray Ehling, Francis Kappelman, Mitt Allen, and Ray Noble, although Wells and Gray still were co-authors when Oklahoma scored a 36-26 clipper Jan. 16, 1935.

This year's club hasn't been rated in any quarter with those past ages, but by sweeping its final five home engagements it can equal the string of the most recent group.

The Tigers will usher in an important three-game home stand, which finds KU meeting Oklahoma next Tuesday and Nebraska the following Saturday.

It will be the second collision of the year between the two ancient foes and you can expect a replay of that vicious Big Seven tournament semi-final which saw the Jayhawkers score a 86-62 upset in Kansas City.

The Bengals' stellar sophomore guard, Win Wilfong, has been drilling lightly all week and should be nearer, full strength than any time during the last month. He picked up a severe charlie-horse against Oklahoma Jan. 10, re-hurt it against Colorado Jan. 12, and has been forced to limp through the last two encounters against Nebraska and Kansas State.

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