

From The Sidelines

Loop Road Teams Hit All-Time High Record

Glenn Nelson

A check on the Big Seven basketball race reveals that road teams never had it so good in the conference.



Records of league contests show that the visiting club has won 14 times and the home club only 16 times to date. That's nearly a .500 average.

Coach Harry Good's Cornhusker cagers are among the top road teams of the upset mad loop members.

Kansas State's 3-2 record in road games. The Sooners lost to Iowa State, 70-59, Saturday night at Ames, and downed Colorado, 83-81 at Boulder Monday.

Morever, some of the touring teams have won by whopping scores. Nebraska shellacked Colorado by 15 at Boulder, 80-65.

Phog Allen's Kansas Jayhawkers are the best home court team to date with a 4-0 rating at Lawrence.

Nebraska basketballers are determined to help the Oklahoma outfit continue as the loop's worst road team.

The two teams are currently in a tie for fourth place in the Big Seven standings, and a win for either team would mean a certain escape from that hated cellar position.

The Sooners will seek revenge of their 53-59 loss to the Huskers at Norman on Feb. 16.

Ramblers Erase Scoring Record

By BILL MUNDELL Intramural Sports Columnist

One new scoring record was set and another almost toppled in intramural basketball Monday.

In a limited schedule of six games, the underdogs all took it on the chin for the first time in this season of hectic upsets.

The nearest thing to an upset was Presby House's 56-36 victory over the Baptist Student House in which Ray Brooks of Presby scorched the nets for 28 points.

Brooks' total was one point shy of the high mark of 29 for this year's action.

Merlin Vandybeck of the Baptists went on a personal scoring splurge in the fourth quarter and racked up 12 points as the Baptists narrowed the gap slightly.

Brooks' 28 was tops in the game, followed by Vanderveck's 13. Gay hit for 11 and Searcy eight for the winners while Harold Degraw and Gene Plouzak countered with ten and seven for the losers.

The Mustangs moved a step nearer the playoffs in balanced league XII as they toppled the Rummies, 52-52.

All six of the Ramblers garnered ten or more counters with center Ralph Weddle leading the way with 23. Ken Reiners was right behind with 19 while Dirk Rolston potted 16.

The Dorm Bullets bounced back from two straight defeats to drop the improving Que-Balls, 41-39.

A slow first quarter produced a 7-4 Bullet lead, but the next two cantos spelled doom for the Que's.

With a big lead the Bullets flooded the floor with reserves but quickly changed their minds as the losers staged a rally that narrowed the gap to three points.

The last three minutes was hectic as the Que-Balls climbed to within one point, but couldn't quite pull it out.

All nine Bullets gained the scoring column as Zeke Johnson and Norris Eckland topped the list with eight apiece.

Merle Brestle topped the losers with 16 counters.

The Lutheran Student Association chalked up their ninth straight victory of the year, blasting Inter-Varsity, 56-24.

A 15-0 first quarter told the story for the I-V's and they never recovered.

Bill Luther led the scoring for the Lutherans with 20 counters, assisted by Harlan Skinner's 15 and Ned Luther's 14.

Glen Johnson topped the losers with eight points.

Farm House "B" climbed into a first-place tie with Delta Upsilon in league VII by crushing Acacia "B", 46-25.

It was the Junior Aggies tenth win in 11 contests.

Ray Gard of the Aggies led the individual scores with 14 points, followed by John Luethe of Acacia with 13.

Boulder-Bound Horseman



NU MUSCLE-MAN... Chuck Sprague, side-horse specialist on the Husker gym squad, prepares for the All-College meet in Boulder, Colo. this weekend.

Heavy Weekend Slated For NU Varsity Squads

Cornhusker varsity sports run into a busy weekend Friday and Saturday, with the basketball, gymnastics, swimming and indoor track teams slated for action.

The Scarlet cage five is getting set for an invading Oklahoma team, which will battle Nebraska for third place in the Big Seven standings.

It will be the Huskers' last stand on the Coliseum maples this season.

Coach Jake Geier's gym squad will close a successful 1952-53 season at Boulder, Colo. Friday and Saturday at the All-College meet.

Defending champs from last year's meet, the Cornhusker team goes into this affair with most of their hopes placed upon the shoulders of five men—all sophomores and juniors.

Top scorers on the once-beaten squad are Tom Kidd, Max Kennedy, Danny Fogel, Don Hodge and Chuck Sprague.

The NU indoor track squad, carrying a current 1-3 dual meet record, participates in the Big Seven indoor track and field championships at Kansas City on Friday and Saturday.

Most Husker points are expected to come in the field events.

Preliminaries will be held Friday, and finals are slated for Saturday.

Men who have carried most of the load for Coach Ed Weir's cindermen thus far in the season are Darrell Moreland and Phil Heidekl, high jump; Jim Hefstetter and Jim Sommers, pole vault; Cliff Dale and Paul Grimm, shot put; Glenn Beerline and Irving Thode, broad jump; Dan Tolman, hurdles; Brian Hendrickson and Bob Fairchild, sprints; Clayton Scott, distances.

Led by Ed Husmann, Darrell Adamson and Don Bean, the improving Huskers hope for one of the top conference positions in the meet.

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PHI PSI'S HAVE 11-0 MARK

Six Teams Unbeaten In Intramural Races

By BILL MUNDELL Intramural Sports Columnist

Only six intramural cage outfits sport unblemished marks as the basketball action rounds out its 1953 regular-season action.

Over 40 games are still on the tap this week, however, and the list could still shrink.

Phi Kappa Psi, the top-rated outfit in the University, holds the top record to date, sporting an 11-0 mark.

The Phi Psi's have assured themselves the league II title.

Pioneer House, with a 10-0 mark, leads the way in league III and has clinched at least a share of that league's crown.

Four Independent outfits, led by the Lutheran Student Association's 9-0 record, are also undefeated.

The Lutherans are atop league VIII while the Ramblers (7-0) have won the league XI title and the Pansies (8-0) have clinched at least a share of the league XIII top spot.

Rounding out the select list, the Sophomore Dents with an 8-0 mark are still riding herd in league XIV, but still have three contests remaining.

Several leagues appear to present a battle for the playoff berths, unless the final action produces more of the common upsets.

The biggest argument seems to be found in leagues V, VII, XI, XII, XIII and XIV.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon "B" and Alpha Tau Omega "B" are heading towards a tie for fourth and fifth in league V, unless either can upset Sigma Chi "B" or Sigma Phi Epsilon "B" in their next outings.

Three teams, Pioneer "B", Phi Kappa Psi "B" and Acacia "B", are battling for the fourth position in league VII.

The Phi Kaps have the inside track since they win over Acacia, but still must face Pioneer.

Three teams appear to be heading towards a tie for third, fourth and fifth in league XI.

The Phalanx, Fliers and Dorm Stars appear certain to finish the year with 2-6 marks unless the Fliers or the Phalanx pull something out of the fire against the Rockets and Ramblers.

The Stars have already closed out their season.

The Dorm Bullets, Mustangs and Que Balls all still have a chance at the third and fourth positions in league XII.

The Bullets face the toughest road, meeting Nebraska Co-op this week while the Mustangs and Que-Balls oppose each other.

Fraternity "A" Division

League I

League II

League III

League IV

League V

League VI

League VII

League VIII

League IX

League X

League XI

League XII

League XIII

League XIV

League XV

League XVI

League XVII

League XVIII

Nebraska Frosh Hit By Tigers

The University of Missouri yearling trackmen won from the University of Nebraska in a freshman postal meet 59 1/4 to 44 1/4.

Bill Hawkins tied for first in the high and low hurdles.

The Beatrice lad also won the broad jump with a 21'9 1/2" mark.

Ted Lofgren of Holdrege won the shot put with 44'4".

The summaries:

MILE RUN: Tie for first and second between Horn (M) and Beard (M) 4:35.3; Third—Bacon (M) 4:37.0.

60-YARD DASH: Tie for first, second, and third between Albert (M), Edsworth (M), Warner (M), and Mike Stubbs, Nebraska, :08.6.

44-YARD DASH: Won by Albert (M) :52.8; Second—Edsworth (M) :53.1; Third—Warner (M) :53.2.

60-YARD HIGH HURDLES: Tie for first, second, and third between Simpson (M), Bill Hawkins, Nebraska, and John McWilliams, Nebraska, :07.9.

TWO-MILE RUN: Won by Williams (M) 10:15.8; Second—Walker (M) 10:22.8; Third—Unruh (M) 10:32.1.

880-YARD RUN: Won by Horn (M) 2:02.0; Second—Beard (M) 2:02.7; Third—Kelly (M) 2:02.9.

60-YARD LOW HURDLES: Tie for first, second, and third between Simpson (M), Constantine (M), Bill Hawkins, Nebraska, and Jon McWilliams, Nebraska, :07.4.

POLE VAULT: Won by Leonard Beckenbach, Nebraska, 12'1"; Second—Jack Skalla, Nebraska, 11'11"; Third—Richardson (M) 11'9 1/2".

HIGH JUMP: Won by Merle Brestle, Nebraska, 6'1"; Second—Haynes Harrington, Nebraska, 5'10"; Third—Lucas (M) 5'9 1/4".

BROAD JUMP: Won by Bill Hawkins, Nebraska, 21'9 1/2"; Second—Leonard Beckenbach, Nebraska, 21'2 1/2"; Third—Albert (M) 20'11".

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