

# Taus Defeat Sig Eps For Frat 'A' Crown

## Sig Eps Denied Third Straight Bid; Mikklesen Leads ATO's

### Ed Husmann Wins Big 7 Heavy Title

Leitel Also In Finals; Two Huskers Injured

By GARY FRANDSEN Sports Staff Writer

Ed Husmann, Nebraska's once-beaten heavyweight wrestler, salvaged the only Cornhusker glory in the Big Seven wrestling tournament defeating defending champion Mel Waldon of Iowa State 11-8 to win the division title.

It was sweet revenge for rugged Ed as the experienced Waldon had pinned the former football tackle in a dual meet during the regular season. Husmann decided Doc Hearon of Oklahoma 9-7 in reaching his showdown match with the Cyclones' Waldon.

As far as the team performances went, Coach Al Partin's grabbers didn't fare so well. Nebraska could manage only a tie for fourth and fifth with Colorado. Again it was the powerful Oklahoma Sooners sweeping to their fourth straight Big Seven crown.

The defending NCAA champions from down Norman way wrestled their way to five individual championships as they rolled up a massive point total of 45. Iowa State, once a wrestling power in the conference until the Sooners suddenly bobbed up from nowhere, finished in the runner-up slot with 26 points.

Kansas State had 17 points while the Huskers and Buffs brought up the rear with 13 each. Kansas and Missouri do not sponsor wrestling teams.

Four of the winning Oklahoma Sooners successfully defended their titles while the fifth winner was a newly-crowned champ. The newcomer was Ron Scott, a 137-pounder who decided Iowa State's Sam Ruzic.

Perry Lietel, a 147-pounder, was the only other Husker able to reach the finals besides Husmann. Lietel was pinned by Oklahoma's Bryan Rayburn in 2:38 of the first period. Rayburn's lightning-fast triumph made the Sooner victory official.

In reaching the finals, Leitel pinned Ken Spickler of Kansas State in 2:19 of the third period. The Husker matman used a half-Nelson in eliminating his semifinal foe. Don Bean, Cornhusker entrant in the 123-pound class, went as far as the semi-finals; but there he suffered a 11-5 setback from Oklahoma's Don Reece.

So complete was the Sooners' mastery in the affair that it lost but three matches in the entire two-day tourney. Only one Oklahoma failed to reach the finals and that was heavyweight Hearon who was whipped by Husmann in the semi-finals.

The Huskers would have fared much better if it hadn't been for two unfortunate accidents. Partin lost the services of both Darrell Adamson and Dave Mackie in the first round. Adamson, a 130-pound grabber, suffered a torn ligament in the shoulder while the 167-pound Mackie sprained his toe.

Championship results: 123—Don Reece, Oklahoma, dec. Bobby Mancuso, Kansas State, 5-3. 136—Harold Reece, Oklahoma, pinned Lee Long, Colorado, 1:15 of third period. 137—Ronald Scott, Oklahoma, dec. Sam Ruzic, Iowa State, 9-3. 147—Bryan Rayburn, Oklahoma, pinned Perry Lietel, Nebraska, 2:38 of first period. 157—Les Kramer, Kansas State, dec. John Paetson, Oklahoma, 5-4. 167—Frank Marks, Oklahoma, ref. dec. Ron Larsen, Iowa State, 17-7. 177—Bob Wink, Iowa State, dec. Keith Kelley, Oklahoma, 1-0. Heavy—Ed Husmann, Nebraska, dec. Mel Waldon, Iowa State, 11-8.



BEST HUSKER PLAYER . . . Fred Seger (left), high-scoring guard on the NU basketball squad, was awarded this huge trophy Saturday night during the state prep tourney finals. Graden Rathburn hands Fred the trophy on behalf of the Lincoln Elks, donors of the award. A poll of Big Seven coaches selected Seger "most valuable NU player of the season."

By BILL MUNDELL Intramural Sports Columnist

Before an estimated eight thousand high school basketball fans Saturday afternoon, Alpha Tau Omega won the 1953 Intramural Fraternity "A" basketball championship. The Taus completely outclassed an enepst Siga Phi Epsilon outfit, 67-51.

Played before the largest crowd in intramural history as a preliminary game before the high school class D and A finals, the Taus repulsed the third straight championship try of the Sig Eps with a classy all-around performance and an unexpected surge by Dale Mikkelsen. Mikkelsen poured in a total of 19 points on eight field goals and three free tosses and was the prime factor in the second-quarter Sig Ep collapse.

It was the third straight year the Sig Eps had appeared in the fraternity "A" finals and the third time they had been denied the title. They were ousted in a controversial 1951 contest by Phi Delta Theta and dropped last year by Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The Sig Eps were sorely handicapped Saturday by the absence of their high-scoring forward, Pat Mallette, who was sidelined with a back injury, but it was doubt-

ful if even Mallette's presence would have been enough to stem the furious Taus.

It was a close affair only in the initial period Saturday. Behind the four-point efforts of Mikkelsen and Dave Jones, the champions rung up a 14-point total.

### All-Star Voting

Intramural basketball team managers are urged to complete their balloting for all opponent teams, which will be voted the election of all-star teams of the various leagues. Of the more than 80 intramural care teams, less than 20 have turned in their votes to date. Deadline for the ballots is Friday.

but had a narrow breathing room as the Sig Eps countered with ten points with Jack Konegni's four counters leading the way.

It was all over, however, after the champs cut loose in the second quarter. On the receiving end of a blazing fast-break, Mikkelsen dunked four fielders while center Al Blessing canned three with his turn and jump exhibition. Dave Jones added insult during this scoring spree with two perfect heaves from far out and the three-time contenders were faced with a hopeless situation. Entering the intermission, the

new champions owned an impressive 38-17 advantage and showed no signs of slackening their pace.

The losers gave forth their best display of power in the final canto after trailing as much as 29 points at one point. After Blessing and Doug Dale were ousted with their fifth foul and both Jones brothers hobbled with four personals, the Sig Eps at long last found their shooting eye.

Definitely out, as far as the final outcome was concerned, the losers never quit trying and in a final flurry cut the margin to its final 16 points. Art Hanson, who had managed but two free throws before, found the range for four buckets to lead the hopeless rally.

Mikkelsen's 19 was tops in the individual department with Dave Jones right behind with 18. Blessing contributed another 14 points to the winning effort. Dave Brandon led the Sig Eps in scoring with 13 points, followed by Konegni's 12 and Art Hansen's 10.

The ATO triumph earned themselves a crack at the Independent champion Ramblers in the All-University championship contest slated for Monday afternoon. The Ramblers are the only undefeated outfit remaining in this year's I-M action and ride into the finals with a 13-0 record. It will be a repeat performance in the All-U finals for most of the Ramblers.

Playing as the M-Street Boys last year, they absorbed a decisive setback at the hands of champion Sig Alphas and will have revenge on their minds Monday afternoon.

The Ramblers own most of the I-M scoring records, but the finale is rated a toss-up due to their weaker schedule.

Table with columns: Team, FG, FT, PFT, Points. Rows include Al Blessing, Doug Dale, John Chambers, Dale Mikkelsen, Dave Jones, Hobe Jones, Rod Schroeder.

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Totals . . . . . 17 17-33 25 51 Score by Quarters: Alpha Tau Om. 14 24 17 12-67 Sigma Phi Ep 10 7 13 21-51

## University Spring Sports Schedule

Table listing sports events for April and May, including Golf, Tennis, Baseball, Track, and Football.

## Hawks Face Favored Huskies In Western Division Playoffs

With sights aimed at a distant target, Kansas University's Big Seven champion basketball team is eyeing its second successive NCAA basketball championship in the Western Division playoffs at Kansas City.

The Jayhawkers face one of their toughest opponents this season Tuesday night when they meet a favored Washington cage team. The Westerners boast a hefty 29-2 record to date.

Washington is the Pacific Coast champion club and is regarded the team to beat in the tournament. Leading the Huskies is 6-7 All-American Bob Houbregs, and two other men measuring 6-7 or over.

Of the four teams left in the Western Division to bid for NCAA cage laurels, Indiana is first on the latest AP poll. Louisiana State has the season's best winning record, Kansas is defending national champion and Washington is labeled the team to watch.

Coach Phog Allen's Cinderella squad has but one starter back from last year's NCAA championship five. Captain Dean Kelley is the only returning starter. Gone are his four first-string mates, All-American Clyde Lovellette, Bob Kenney, Bill Houglund and

John Keller. Also missing are two alternate regulars, Bill Lionhard and Charlie Hoag.

The four-fifths new Jayhawk outfit now includes B. H. Born, a 6-9 giant who moved up to fill Big Clyde's shoes. Al Kelly, kid brother of Captain Dean and a mere squadman last year, teams with Harold Patterson, a junior college recruit, at forward. Gil Reich, an All-American defensive grid halfback last fall, is pairing with the senior Kelley in the backline.

## Spring Grid Chores To Start April 8

University men wishing to participate in spring football should see head football coach Bill Glassford or backfield coach Bob Davis immediately.

Spring grid practice, scheduled to begin on the Husker practice fields on April 8.

The NU spring workouts will terminate on All Sports Day, May 2, when the varsity plays the alumni in their annual contest.

Varsity advertisement for 'She's Back On Broadway' featuring Virginia Mayo.

## Born Wins Scoring Title

Final statistics released this week revealed one of the closest races for the Big Seven scoring title in many years. KU's towering center B. H. Born won the crown by two-tenths of a point over Kansas State's All-American Dick Knostman.

Born nailed down his honor with a 22.5 average per game. Knostman with a 22.3 average in league competition was just three-tenths of a point ahead of Colorado's high-scoring sophomore Art Bunte. Rounding out the top five scorers were Iowa State's pivot Delmar Diercks, and Oklahoma's Bob Waller.

Nebraska placed two men in the second high five. Bill Johnson nailed down the seventh slot with a 12.8 average. Close behind Johnson was his team-mate Fred Seger. Seger held down the ninth position with an over-all average of 13.1 points per game.

Kansas State had the highest average per game in the league with an impressive 30.1 average over the 12 game stretch of conference battling.

The Kansas Wildcats held their opponents to 63.6 points per game for the best average in that department.

The top ten scorers: Name School FG FT TP Av. Born, Kansas . . . . . 96 78 270 22.5 Knostman, Kan. State . . . . . 90 88 268 22.3 Bunte, Colorado . . . . . 82 80 264 22.0 Diercks, Iowa State . . . . . 79 76 254 19.3 Waller, Oklahoma . . . . . 89 28 376 14.8 Seger, Missouri . . . . . 64 47 175 14.5 Johnson, Nebraska . . . . . 54 38 166 13.8 Kelly, A. Kansas . . . . . 59 46 164 13.4 Seger, Nebraska . . . . . 54 38 158 13.1 Latta, Iowa State . . . . . 44 27 143 12.8

Only two American League players hit homers in every park during 1952. They were Luke Easter and Larry Doby, both of the Cleveland Indians.

OU Coach Opposes Cage Rule Change Bruce Drake, Oklahoma's head basketball mentor and chairman of the college basketball coaches' rules committee, recently came up with a startling defense of the controversial "one-and-one" rule at his contemporaries gathered at Kansas City apparently intent on killing it. The rule, put in a year ago, provides that on a common foul—one committed not in the act of shooting—the offended player gets one free throw, but in case he misses he has another try at the point. During the last three minutes common foul draws two free throws. Drake said he thought most of the foolishness of the "one-and-one" rule stems from the sports writers and radio men. Drake added that he didn't foresee any radical action although he couldn't predict what action will be taken. Strong objection to the free throw rule has been voiced by several coaches, however, and most of them seem to feel it's sure to be ditched.

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