

.529 Average

Don Brown Earns Nebraskan Award For 'Star Of The Week'



By BRUCE BRUGMANN Sports Editor Don Brown, Husker Third baseman currently perched atop the NU hitting parade, has captured the Nebraskan "Star of the Week Award."

Brown, cuffing the ball at an unofficial .529 clip, collected four hits in nine times at the plate during the Husker slugging spree with K-State at Manhattan this last weekend. The 20-year-old junior rapped out two singles, a double and a homerun, drove in three runs and scored five more in the double shelling.

Gulf Coast Tour Brown's four for nine slate lowered his average, however. While the Huskers galloped over Gulf Coast opposition on the spring tour, Brown smashed two home runs, three doubles, batted in nine runs and hit safely 14 times during 25 appearances at the plate to compile an astounding .560 aggregate.

One reason for Brown's superb stickwork is his ability to concentrate either on banging out base hits or swinging for the fences.

"I usually just try to get on base," he said, "but if I've got that home run feeling I cut loose for the walls."

Ninth Inning Homer It was a homerun which gave Don his biggest thrill as a prepstar. A four sport athlete for Omaha Benson, Brown stroked a three-run homer in the ninth inning of an inter-city high school game to overcome a two run deficit for a Frank Merriwell finale. The lithe, five foot ten inch fielder played with the Lexington team in the Nebraska Independent League last summer and ended the campaign with a healthy .350 mark. He smacked two homers and a brace of singles in his first home game with the Lexington squad.

A near letterwinner last year, Brown has been hobbled with injuries during the past three years. As a senior halfback at Benson, he broke a collarbone after the first game and had to sit out the remainder of the season. Playing freshman ball at the University, Brown charged a bunt

during a practice session, miscalculated it and broke a finger which disabled him for the remainder of the campaign. Last summer he was sidelined seven weeks after snapping his collarbone on a double steal attempt.

The recipient of the Babe Ruth Sportsmanship Award at Benson his senior year, Brown's goal is to play in the Little World Series, juicy plum of the college baseball world, in Omaha.

Brown is the seventh Husker athlete to receive the "Star of the Week" accolade. Honorable mention candidates this week are Jack Moore, golf, and Jim Cederdahl and Bill Giles, baseball. Winners of the award will receive an engraved certificate.

The 'Fairer' Side Shirley Bazant Wins Mabel Lee Scholarship

By CAROL WILTSE Sports Staff Writer The annual W.A.A. banquet was held Wednesday, April 13th, at the Compass room of the airport. Big, thick, juicy steaks preferable to the skimpy hamburgers eaten at W.A.A. Council meetings were served to twenty-four guests who included Dr. Dudley Ashton, Miss Mary Jean Mulvaney, Miss Beverly Becker and Miss Armstrong. We had a very enjoyable time. Congratulations to Shirley Ba-

zant for being awarded the Mabel Lee Scholarship for outstanding service to W. A. A. Shirley is the new intramural coordinator and has done a wonderful job running the basketball tournament. Softball, badminton, and tennis tournaments will start Monday, April 25. The softball games will be played on the women's playing field behind the new Teacher's College High. Games will be held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, and defaults will be called at 8:05.



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By SAM JENSEN Copy Editor

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questions... The riot will probably be one of the most frequent questions directed at University coaches as they continue the spring banquet tour.

Coaches Bush, Strasheim, Faris, Kovatch, Davis and Athletic Director Bill Orwig are eating most of ham and roast beef this month. Basketball mentor Jerry Bush seems to be carrying the heaviest load of engagements. People throughout the state are anxious to see new giant killer from outstate.

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Former Chicago Cubs manager Frankie Frisch is reported to have been fired by the Bruin management a few seasons ago because he became depressed and took to reading Schopenhauer in the dug-out.

Since Schopenhauer is rather depressing this incident might prove that, by and large, the happiest baseball managers are those who are content to read the league standings and batting averages.

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