

From The Pressbox

NU Golfers Termed Darkhorse In Big 7

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Husker linksmen, when they play in the Big Seven Playoffs, today and Saturday, will be trying to do something that hasn't been done by NU golfers in 20 years—and that is to win a Big Seven Championship.

Nebraska has consistently been in the upper three after the playoffs, but not since the middle '30's have they won the crown. This year again, the Huskers have shown by pre-tourney action that they deserve to be bracketed among the top three.

According to the dopesheets, Kansas University, playing on their home links, is the favorite with Oklahoma, Nebraska, Colorado, the defending champs and Iowa State not far in arrears. However, Nebraska, I think, is a strong dark-horse candidate.

The University team has a good 1-2-3 combination in Jack Moore, Chuck Jensen and Dick Lauer. Lauer, who finished fourth in the playoffs last year, has been shooting slightly above his game so far this year. He's due for some hot rounds of golf.

Jensen and Moore have both played consistently good golf this year. Each beat Herb Klontz, Iowa State champion, in a meet with Iowa University. Moore also beat Keith Alexander, last year's Big Seven champ, in the Colorado meet.

John Butterfield, number four man on the squad, is a steady golfer, lacking experience but capable of firing excellent golf. Gohde, a slow starter this season, played in a majority of the matches during his sophomore year and participated in the Big Seven tourney. Handy with the irons, he could turn in some fast rounds.

The Husker team, on the whole, is a temperamental one. If they can stay within five strokes of the leaders after the first 36 holes Friday they might kindle the spark which they have lacked most of the season.

A Big Day . . .

Last weekend I talked with Chuck Duncan, Iowa State basketball star, during the Veishea Days celebration at Ames, Ia. Chuck, to my mind is one of the most outstanding men in the Big Seven.

Not only is he a great athlete, winning all-conference honors the past two years and rewriting every record in the Iowa State archives, but he's a top scholar and campus leader.

Last Thursday afternoon he was tapped for Cardinal Key, the equivalent of the Innocents Society. In the evening he was given the "Athlete of the Week" award. In one day he received the two top honors given at Iowa State.

Modest and likable, the lanky Iowan passed the two awards off quite indifferently. "I enjoyed escorting Miss 'America' the fifteen feet to the speaker's platform," he said, fondly rubbing his right elbow.

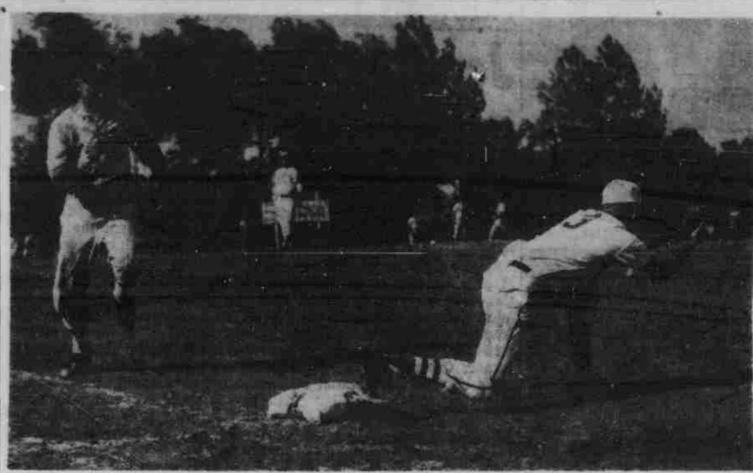
Et Cetera . . .

Track coach Jerry Lee hopes his mile relay can crack 3:20 in the Big Seven meet. He thinks they might bring down a top place if, by saving the quartet from the longer sprints, Brien Hendrickson can lead with a .50, Bob Nieman can follow with a .50, Bob Anderson can dip to 49.5 and Charlie Gibson can reel off a .49 on the last leg . . .

Dennis Korinek, football halfback and rightfielder on the baseball team, will coach at Lyons next year . . . In the last official Big Seven baseball batting averages, five of the first six places were taken by Huskers. Giles led the league with a .463 mark.



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The Last Out

John Beideck, Husker first baseman, clamps his foot on first base as he catches an infield peg converting a Kansas dribble into the last out of the Wildcat series Tuesday. Nebraska mopped up the drab contest, 8-2.



Big Seven Track, Field Festival Doped To Unfurl Many Top Track Performers

By JIM O'HANLON
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The 27th Big Seven Track and Field Championships is expected to be one of the tightest team races in the meet's history. Missouri and Oklahoma both have a chance of dethroning the champion.

Field events will start at 3 p.m. Friday afternoon and track events at 3:30 p.m., in the University of Kansas' Memorial Stadium.

NU Records Impertiled

Two records held by Nebraskans are in danger of being broken. Oklahoma footballer Bob Van Dee has exceeded the conference record held by Edsel Wibbels (1940) of Nebraska four times. His best throw, 162-4 1/2, was almost 2 feet past the record.

Van Dee is only the fourth 160-foot discus thrower in Big Seven history. Kansas' discus man Dick Knowles is the only man expected to give Van Dee any trouble.

The other record held by a Cornhusker which may fall this week end is Herb Grote's 261-4 javelin record (1940). The javelin field is led with talent. Kansas has three top men in Les Bitner, Don Sneegas and John Parker.

Bitner threw the spear 236- 3/4 early in the season while Sneegas has also surpassed Grote's record and was last year's winner. Iowa State junior Jake Muelenthaler may be able to keep Kansas from sweeping the first 3 places in the javelin as the school did last year.

Shotput Cinched

It is a foregone conclusion that Kansas' great Bill Neider will win the shotput. Neider has been well over the conference record. Discus favorite Van Dee leads the remaining shot putters.

The high jump champion could be any of a long list of good jumpers. Jim Stewart of Iowa State and Erwin Cook of Oklahoma shared the title last year with two other men and will be out for the title again.

Cook also tied with Nebraska's Ray Kelley in the 1955 Indoor meet. Besides these 3 champions, Leon Willis, Kansas; Bob Lang, Missouri; Jim Rangles, Colorado and Stan Matzke, Nebraska, have shown excellent form during the season and are possible winners.

Oklahoma jumper specialist Cook could win a double crown as he is the favorite in the broad jump. Cook is considered to have a chance of breaking the conference record.

Top Sprint Times

According to the dopesheets, Dick Blair should pick up two victories for Kansas in the sprints. Blair was Big Seven Indoor 60-yard dash winner last February. Blair has run a :20.8 220 and a :09.5 century, two of the top college times of the season. Blair was winner in the furlong in the championships at Boulder last year.

Defending 100-yard dash champion Juel Sweatte of Oklahoma and Ralph Moody of Kansas are expected to push Blair. Moody, however, may not be able to run because of a pulled muscle. Other top sprinters are Iowa State's Don Graves, Missouri's Levan Gray, and Nebraska's Brien Hendrickson. Gray is defending 220-yard low hurdle champion.

The Oklahoma Sooners again have the favorite for quarter mile

honor, despite losing their two top 440 men by scholastic difficulties. Johnny Dahl has the league's top time for the event, :47.9. The Oklahoma junior will have to run an outstanding race to beat Bob Massengale, Missouri's two time indoor champion.

Other runners meriting 440 consideration are Pete Orr and Tom Albert of Missouri, Marvin Childs of K-State, and Chuck Folsom of Oklahoma.

Missouri's junior middle - distance runner Pete Beard appears headed for the 880-yard victory. Last year's runner-up, Beard has a top time of 1:53.3.

Sophomore Lowell Janzen of Kansas has the best conference clocking for the 880, 1:53.2, but has lost to Beard. Ron Reed of Oklahoma has an outside chance of winning both mile and half mile.

Lee To Enter 19 Huskers In Big Seven Cinderama



Courtesy Sunday Journal and Star ROSEN

By JIM O'HANLON
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The University of Nebraska will send nineteen trackmen to the Big Seven Track and Field Championships this weekend. The Huskers who have no chance of finishing at or near the top, will be working to stay out of a last place finish.

Nebraska under the tutelage of Coach Jerry Lee have been improving and are now capable of a higher finish than their indoor mark.

Best Depth In High Jump

Nebraska's best depth is in the high jump where it has four entrants. Ray Kelley of Danbury, who tied for the conference Indoor title at 6-3 5/8 leads this delegation. Basketballers Stan Matzke, and Charles Smith, have shown considerable promise since joining the

squad. Matzke jumped 6-2 1/2 against Iowa State in tying for the dual meet record. He is probably Nebraska's strongest entrant. The other member of the quartet is Merle Brestel of Chappel. Victim of a broken foot several weeks ago, Brestel may not be able to compete.

Weightman Leonard Rosen could pick up some points in the shot and discus. Carl Vondra, will compete in the shotput along with Rosen. Vondra, Doug Gibson and Lee Roberts of Omaha will be Nebraska's hopes in the javelin.

Vaulter Jim Hofstetter could place in his pet event. The Kearney senior has been "off" recently, but it is hoped he will return to the form he has shown in previous years his last meet Saturday. Other Husker vaulters are Alan Aden and Don Blank.

On the track, Nebraska will enter Gibson and Warner Olson in the hurdles. Brien Hendrickson will be the only Cornhusker representative in the 100-yard dash. Hendrickson, however, is considered a better bet to score in the 220-yard dash.

At one time he had the best clocking in the nation for the furlong. His best time going into the championships is :21.1. Teaming with Hendrickson in the 220 will be Bob Niemann, long-legged speedster.

Quartermilers Robert Anderson and Charles Gibson will face rugged competition at Lawrence. Gibson of Lincoln placed in last year's meet. Anderson is from West Point. Nebraska will go all out in an attempt to finish high in the relay. The Nebraska foursome of Hendrickson, Niemann, Anderson and Charlie Gibson may crack 3:20.

In Intramural Play

Norris House, Manatt, Farm House Gain Finals

Rampaging Norris House mowed down Zeta Beta Tau, 17-2, Wednesday for their fifth win in six starts and a trip into the final round of the intramural double-elimination tournament in League B. Norris House will tangle with unbeaten Kappa Sigma Monday. A Norris win in that game will call for another Tuesday; a Kappa

playing their last game are Backhaus, Giles, Rolston, Hofmaier, Olson, Cederdahl and Becker. Sig win would end "B" play and give them the title.

Tied up 2-2 in the fourth inning, Norris exploded for five runs to break the game wide open; ten more in the fifth merely added insult to injury. It was the fifth time Norris has gone into double figures. They sport an 18 run average. Jack Barkey picked up the win.

2 Games

B B Team To Meet Colorado

With only a mathematical chance of retaining for a berth in the College World Series, Nebraska's fading Cornhuskers journey to campaign with Colorado in a two game series. The first game will open at 3 p.m. on the Buff diamond.

Southpaw Duo

Coach Tony Sharpe will be expected to throw his ace mounds duo of Willie Greenlaw and Fran Hofmaier. Both are left-handers and have accounted for ten victories between them. Hofmaier will be throwing his last game for the Huskers as he is one of the 7 seniors playing in his last collegiate competition.

Oklahoma has all but nailed down the Conference Championship along with the trip to the sectional playoffs. The Sooners now stand 9-1 for the year, compared to the second place Husker's 9-3 record. The Big Reds from the oil land must fall in both of their remaining tussels to assure the Nebraskans of even a tie.

Monday's contest with the Buffaloes should not be too much of a strain on the Husker offense. If Nebraska bats continue to boom as they have through the season, there should be no problem.

Opening for the Huskers will be the usual combination of Murray Backhaus, catcher; Bill Giles, first base; Dirkes Rolston, second base; Norm Coufal, shortstop; Don Brown, third base; Don Becker, left field; Jim Cederdahl, center field and Dick Olson, right field. The seven seniors who will be

Manatt In Finals
Manatt earned a Monday trip to the Selleck Quadrangle League finals against undefeated Gustavson — with a 29-0 romp over Seaton I. Manatt hurler Lynn Vermeer allowed Seaton three hits, all singles, and hit three for five himself, including a fourth inning triple.

The Manatt players showed their gratitude to Seaton pitcher Joe Kirk for the 16 walks he gave them by banging him for 14 hits.

FarmHouse dropped Phi Gamma Delta, 11-8, despite a 6 run Fiji rally in the 2nd, which featured Ron Kohlmeier's lead-off home run. The victory takes FarmHouse into the League A finals against Delta Upsilon.

Max Clegg handled pitching duties for FarmHouse.

Geologists Win

The Geologists squeezed by Phi Epsilon Kappa, 7-5, even though outhit, 7-4. PEK picked up all their runs in the first inning and led until the bottom of the 6th, when the Geologists pushed across three runs for the win. Jerry Landwehr pitched the losing three hitter for PEK, while Jim Lowell allowed seven in winning.

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Out Of The Trap

Jack Moore, flashy Nebraska golfer, chips out of a sandtrap, and onto the lip of the green in the varsity - freshman meet

Tuesday afternoon. The meet, easily won by the varsity, was a tuneup for the Big Seven Playoffs Friday and Saturday.

A Jock Is Born

Rookie Seeks Fame On Tennis Courts

By SLIP SHOD
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A few weeks ago, I told you of my unfortunate experience with the game of baseball, an experience which might have broken a lesser man.

However, I also told you that I was a hardy, if misdirected, lad. So it naturally follows that I would not allow one set-back to dampen my enthusiasm for sports; oh no, I wanted to play with the bigger boys.

Well, it was still summer, the season for vigorous, out-door sport so I began considering other games. I finally hit upon tennis as a good game with which to make my name in the sports world.

Although I wouldn't admit it even to myself, I really believe that I chose tennis because I could play it practically in private, and thus save myself embarrassment if I failed as dismally as I had with baseball. Perhaps I was already beginning to learn a bit about myself.

Now tennis is a game requiring speed, agility and near-perfect coordination. I had none of these attributes; instead I had flabby legs and nicotine-coated lungs. In fact, I still have. Nevertheless, I procured the necessary equipment and set about looking for a likely opponent.

I called a friend of mine who occasionally played and invited him

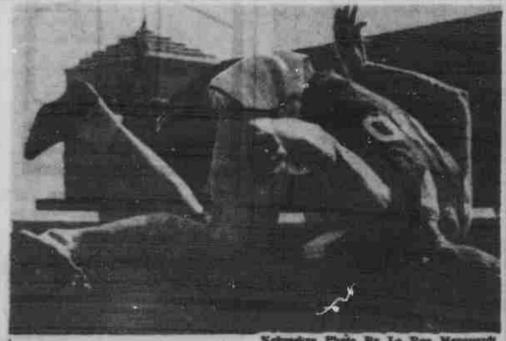
to join me in a few sets. He was quite willing, a little too willing I thought. However, I had all that equipment and couldn't back out, so I eased my delicate features into a brave smile and put forth.

My opponent was already at the court when I arrived and he urged me to hurry. As I donned my shoes, he took a few practice swin squinted into the sun, tested the wind, gazed pitilessly at me, and strode onto the court. I followed him, feeling a little uncomfortable in my new shorts, but determined to go through with it.

I served first and the ball bounced high to my opponent's forehead. He smashed it back, and as I lunged for the ball, my feet got confused and I fell forward, taking the handle of my racket right in the solar plexus. I remained in that position, gasping for breath, while my opponent sauntered slowly up to the net and said mockingly, "Didn't hit it back, did you?"

I got to my feet, approached the net, hit the fellow a good one behind the ear with my racket and ran home.

I have often wondered if I didn't take the wrong attitude about the incident, if I shouldn't have passed it off lightly and continued to work on my game. As it was, I was afraid to leave the house and so I didn't try another game until my family moved to another town.



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