

Elliott To Be Welcomed At NU-Buff Tilt Saturday

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Pete Elliott, new Cornhusker football coach, will be introduced to Big Red fans and student body between halves of the Colorado-Nebraska basketball game Saturday night.
At the same time, N Club certificates will be presented to the recent monogram winners, all but one of whom lettered in football. Bob Wagner, president of the N Club, is handling the arrangements.
Steve Sutton of Blair is the only letterman not a football player who will be honored at the ceremony.

Each year at this time, sports enthusiasts find themselves confronted with the same puzzling enigma. Why are most athletic directors in the Big Seven conference indifferent toward the policy of competition for freshman basketball teams?
Actually the problem is much deeper than just the attitudes of the athletic directors. It is actually embedded in the Rules and Regulations governing athletics and all participation in the conference. Section 8 of the article on eligibility states about freshman competition: "Freshmen shall be limited to athletic competition within their own institution except that football teams shall be allowed to participate in two contests against teams from other colleges."
Although this clarifies the policy it is here that a fallacy can be spotted. In what respect does the freshman football program differ from that of basketball. The freshmen gridirers involved participate only three months in the fall season. They then report for spring practice after a four month layoff. With two games inserted in their schedule, the footballers do not face the long grind of night after night practices emphasizing fundamentals as the frosh do.
Granted, freshman football players log in plenty of time, but examine the actual length of a college basketball season. A frosh cager who is considered interested in basketball probably starts shooting baskets and getting into shape on his own shortly after school opens in the fall. If he then survives the elimination process where the top prospects are supposedly weeded out in the opening weeks of practice he must continue his night after night of practice sessions until the season ends in about the middle of March.
Looking at this problem from the coaches point of view it should have more positive factors than negative. Along with the added work this competition would give the mentor a goal to work towards in the sense of an accomplishment by the squad, as there is somewhat of an underlying attitude present now, that many of the competitors deem their inaugural season pointless compared to the schools that support freshman competition or four year varsity eligibility. It also would give a better sense of value to the team when the results could be concrete-actual win-loss records. This would also emphasize the freshman program more and remedy the present situation where an athlete comes from high school where he has received top acclaim only to be lost in the depths of the training program preparing him for future experience. This factor alone has accounted for many of the losses of athletes after enrollment to junior colleges or other schools who do not support a similar program to Nebraska's.
The indifferent attitude seems to evolve from an expense problem. Where an acute expense problem would arise from several home games is a good question in itself. Another of the commonest arguments is that a freshman should concentrate on his studies the first year. Where would the addition of several games add to the opposition of studies anymore than the present plan does.
The solution to this problem rests in the actual opinions of those competing in the program and if these opinions were voiced the majority would point to the proposed program of extended competition.

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ELLIOTT

mony. Sutton... a tennis letter winner from the 1954-55 season.

The others include Jerry Brown, Rex Fischer, Jack Fleming, Sylvester Harris, George Harshman, Bill Hawkins, Don Kampe, Art Klein, Dick Moore, Dean Lux, John Morrow, Doran Post, Don Rhoda, and Jerry Wheeler. Morrow, from Kearney, is the student manager.

Also on the agenda for Elliott is a public affairs luncheon at the Hotel Cornhusker ballroom Wednesday, January 25.

The Alumni N Club is spearheading the get acquainted affair with President Harry Meginnis, Thurston Phelps, secretary; Bob McNutt, treasurer and Jim Beltzer, Grand Island, vice president, serving as the committee in charge.

The ballroom will hold 420 persons. Tickets at \$1.75 each will be on sale at Lawlor's, Russell's and Gerry's Sporting Goods Stores.

"We want to make this affair open to the public," Meginnis said. "However, there is room for only 420 and when the tickets are gone there isn't anything we can do about it. The tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis."

"It will provide Cornhusker football fans a chance to meet their new coach," Meginnis stated.



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Smith, Smidt Pace Cagers

Chuck Smith leads all Cornhusker cagers in points scored after 11 games. (Not including Monday's contest with Missouri.)

The Anderson, Ind., senior has 152 points, 26 more than Rex Eckwall who has appeared in nine games. Eckwall, who missed the two games because of illness, has a 14 point per game average and has grabbed 85 rebounds. He leads in free throw and field goal percentages, also.

The Big Red will spend the remainder of the week working in preparation for the invasion of the Big Seven defending champions, the Colorado Buffaloes. The Statistics:

	FG	FT	TP	Ave.
Rex Eckwall, c-f	39	48	126	14.0
Chuck Smith, f	49	54	152	13.8
Jim Kubacki, g	42	26	110	10.0
Don Schmidt, c-f	35	22	93	8.4
Gary Reimers, g	18	8	44	4.0
Terry Howard, c	2	8	12	4.0
Norm Coufal, g	17	10	36	3.2
Bob Mercier, g	6	15	27	2.4
Jim Thom, c	7	4	18	2.2
Jim Atwood, f	5	5	15	2.1
Dudley Doebele, f	5	1	11	1.8
Lyle Nansen, g-f	5	0	10	1.0
Bill Wells, g	2	0	4	1.0
Nebraska Totals	226	202	568	59.8
Opponents Totals	263	234	770	70.0

Grapplers Nip Sodaks

Winning six of eight matches, the University of Nebraska wrestling team defeated South Dakota State 20-8 here Monday night.

It was the Huskers' first dual meet victory after 21 consecutive losses.

The results:
123 pounds—Marshall Nelson (N) defeated Dick Fischer (SD), 4-2.
136—Jim Owens (N) defeated Gordon Brockmuller (SD), 4-1.
157—Eugene Dailer (SD) defeated John Craner (N), 4-2.
177—Jack Bryans (N) defeated Myron Paine (SD), 3-0.
197—Art Morton (N) defeated Gus Gietler (S), 4-0.
217—Dietz (SD) pinned Bob Pickett (N), 4-0.
237—Al Brand (N) defeated Leonard Spanglers (SD), 7-1.
Heavyweight—Don Brand (N) pinned Don Breidenbach (SD) in 6:15.
In an exhibition 157-pound match, John Anderson (N) defeated Odell Aldrich (SD), 4-0.

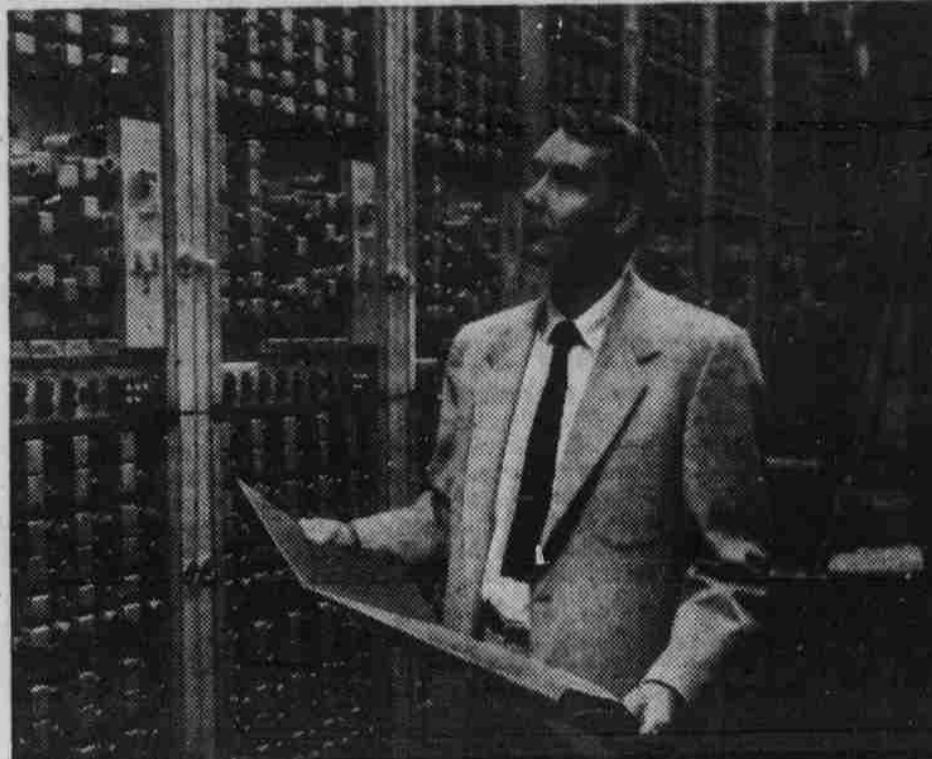
Kansas Knocks Cyclones 68-63

A 20 point barrage by guard Maurice King proved the decisive factor as Kansas clipped Iowa State 68-63 Monday night. King meshed 14 of his counters in the

second half which saw the Jayhawks protect their six point halftime bulge.
In addition to his clutch scoring King mainly was responsible in holding Iowa State's ace, Gary

Thompson, to only 11 points. Kansas led 37-31 at the half, then Iowa State tied it at 38-38 and three more times before ending ahead to lead 53-47 with 10 minutes to go.

A Campus-to-Career Case History



"I take a job from scratch"

The Air Force introduced Forrest I. Forrest to communications. In 1953 he was Communications Officer at Lowry Air Force Base near Denver, Colorado. He was partially responsible for the communications setup of the President's "Summer White House," and in this assignment he met members of the local Bell telephone company.

"The telephone people I met," says Forrest, "were always helpful. I considered them the experts. They gave a very good impression of the Bell System. So three months before I was discharged I wrote to Indiana Bell for an interview, and subsequently I was hired as a Student Engineer."

Today Forrest is in Indiana Bell's Engineering Department, working with

carrier facilities—the means by which a number of telephone calls can be sent simultaneously over one circuit.

Forrest is given the basic circuit and equipment requirements for a job. "My boss farms it out to me," Forrest says, "and I take it from scratch." Forrest does the complete engineering job. He writes the specifications, including wiring plans and the list of equipment for the job. Then the installers take over.

"I really feel that I'm contributing to the telephone business," Forrest says. "My wife does too. When we're in the car we get a kick out of driving by a job that I engineered. Nothing can compare with a career in a business that's growing as fast as the Bell System. It's the place to move ahead."

Forrest graduated in 1952 from Purdue University with an E.E. degree. His career is typical of those which exist in other Bell Telephone Companies, and in Bell Telephone Laboratories, Western Electric and Sandia Corporation. Your placement officer has more information about Bell System companies.

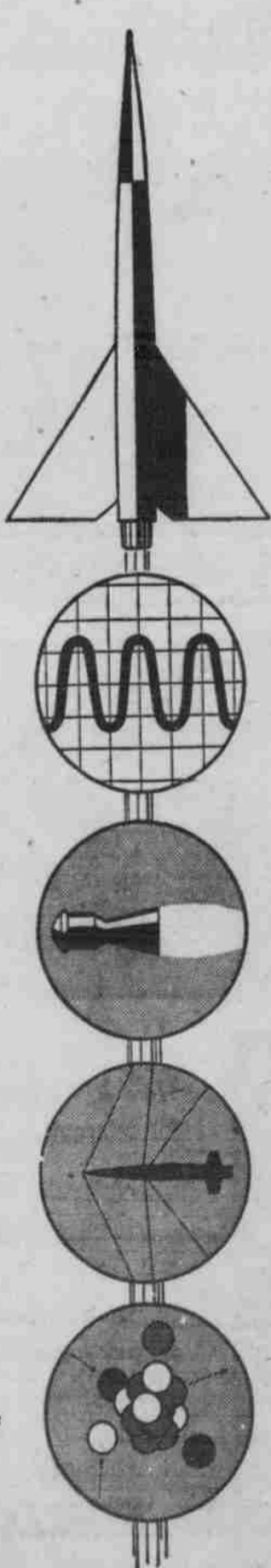


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