

# THE NEBRASKAN SPORTS

## Saturday Night—

# Cyclone Basketballers Invade Cornhuskerland

By WALT BLORE  
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Bill Strannigan's Iowa State cagers invade the Coliseum maples Saturday.

Led by Gary Thompson, the Cyclones will be out for their 16th



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quint that has height, speed, and youth. John Crawford and Chuck Vogt start at the forward slots. Crawford is a sophomore from the Bronx in New York City. He is a part of Iowa State program to improve the athletic standards of the Ames school. Vogt is a junior from Clinton, Iowa, and was an All-Stater as a senior at Clinton.

At center is another sophomore, Don Medsker. He comes from Englewood, Colo. and came east with Strannigan when the tutor took over the reigns at Iowa State after he left Colorado A&M.

The guards are fireballs Arnie Gaarde and Gary Thompson. Gaarde is a junior and from Armstrong, Iowa and alternates with another junior, Jack Peterson. Thompson is the Cyclone candidate for All-American honors. He

graduated from Roland, Iowa, high school where he led Roland to the finals in Iowa High School Class A tournament. As a sophomore he notched 339 points for an Iowa State record for second-year men.

Besides Peterson, Strannigan can call on Jerry Sandbulte and Lyle Frahm for yeoman duty.

Sandbulte lettered two years at Nebraska before he transferred to Ames to take veterinary medicine. Frahm is the younger brother of Stan Frahm, Cyclone cager for three years who finished his competition last season.

Bush will probably go with a starting line-up that will include Jim Kubacki, Toledo, Ohio, sophomore guard and team sparkplug, Gary Reimers, Rex Ekwall, Chuck Smith and either Jim Arwood or Don Smidt.

Bill Tagney and John Holeman, both of Omaha, racked up their best performance of the year in the 60-yard free style. Tagney held a :32 and Holeman a :32.2.

Bodensteiner got a second place with his top time of 5:32 in the 440-yard free style.

Kenagy with :57.5 and Tagney with :57 registered their best times in the 400 free style relay.

## Tankers Lose To I-S: Top Individual Mark

In a study of paradox, five Nebraska swimmers turned in their best performance of the year, but Nebraska's mermen fell to Iowa State, 66-18, their worst drubbing of the season, in a dual meet held at Ames.

Paul Schorr, sophomore from Lincoln, backstroked through his leg of 300-yard medley in 1:07.2 for his best time of the year. His performance helped push Iowa State into an NCAA and American record time of 2:46.4. In the 200-yard backstroke, Schorr again outdid himself with a clocking of 2:30.

Wyman Kenagy and Carl Bodensteiner, both of Lincoln, hit their seasonal peaks in the 220 yard free style. Kenagy stroked out a 2:28 and Bodensteiner a 2:31.6.

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## Wilt "The" Stilt... Kansas To Monopolize Big 7 Basketball For Next 3 Years?

By BOB WIRZ  
Sports Staff Reporter  
Although this year's Big Seven basketball campaign remains close it appears that Kansas University, unless something surprising happens, could easily wrap up the next three conference crowns without too much trouble.

The main fact supporting the above statement is seven foot Wilt Chamberlain the fabulous negro giant from Overbrook High in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Wilt who probably eclipsed all scoring records for high school when he piled up a total of 2252 points will become eligible for college play next year at Kansas. He was lured to Kansas by Coach Phog Allen who saw him play last winter. Allen made a special trip to Philadelphia last season and grabbed Chamberlain from about 100 other colleges and some professional teams who had attempted to get him.

Chamberlain also has other talents besides being an outstanding basketball player. He had about a B-average for his first semester in college and hopes to study Law.

Wilt also participates in track where he plans on some varsity work at Kansas next year. He throws the shot put 46 feet, broad jumps 22 feet, runs the 440 yard dash in 49 seconds and the half mile in 1:58.3. Also once this year he high jumped 6' 5" in his basketball shoes and observers believe that with a lot of practice he may reach close to 7 feet.

Chamberlain chose Kansas University for several reasons. He claims he has always wanted to play midwest basketball and likes to travel. Also he liked Allen from the first time he met him which was last February in Philadelphia.

The Kansas fans liked him from the start. His first performance was in November against the Kansas varsity and Chamberlain and his mates defeated the Big Seven pre-season favorites 81 to 71 with

Wilt making 52 points himself. He helped attract 14,000 fans to this contest.

Now the just plays in the preliminary games before the home crowd and has a fine average never hitting below 20 points. Saturday night in the preliminary game he scored 45.

Allen in his 39th year as Kansas mentor says the big boy has the best possibilities of any basketball player he has ever seen and he believes Chamberlain will make All-American teams next year.

Chamberlain says that basketball here in the midwest is primarily the same as in the east except that they run more here.

Wilt isn't the only reason either that Kansas fans are talking about the future with much enthusiasm. There are only two seniors on the present varsity squad and neither one of them are starters. Also there are several other top prospects on the freshman team.

## Alumni Try For Olympics

Two former Nebraska athletes are reestablishing themselves in Huskerland news. They are Glen Beerline, former Nebraska track star and N Club president, and Verl Scott, former All Big Seven center and linebacker.

Beerline has established himself as the top hop, skip and jump man in the United States and is shooting for an Olympic berth this summer.

Scott has returned to Nebraska after a two-year stretch at Camp Carson, Colorado. "Scotty" was captain of the famous Camp Carson football team and was elected their most valuable player. He intends to do graduate work in education this semester and is working into shape for the Alum-Varsity game to be played this spring on All-Sports Day.

## GUADALAJARA SUMMER SCHOOL

The accredited bilingual school sponsored by the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara and members of Stanford University faculty will offer in Guadalajara, Mexico, July 2-Aug. 11, courses in art, creative folklore, geography, history, language and literature. \$225 covers tuition, board and room. Write Prof. Juan B. Rael, Box K, Stanford University, Calif.

## NU Rifle Club Gets Charter

The National Rifle Association announced recently that the University Rifle Club has joined the ranks of the affiliated organizations of the national group.

The officers of the newly chartered group are president, Gary Burchfield and secretary, Ronald Dawson.

The new shooting club joins the 4,000 other rifle and pistol organizations from coast-to-coast now affiliated with the NRA, national sponsor of all organized smallbore rifle, high-power rifle and pistol shooting in the United States.

## Sports Star Of The Week—

# Ekwall Paces Husker Five

By WALT BLORE  
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Rex Ekwall, versatile junior and leading scorer on the cage team has been selected as the second "Star of the Week" as a result of his inspired play in two conference games against Kansas and Oklahoma over the week-end.

Rex notched 21 points against the Kansas Jayhawks Saturday night as the Cornhuskers suffered a 60-56 pasting. Monday night the Holmesville lad hit for 22 markers to lead the Huskers to a 68-61 overtime victory.

Going into the Iowa State game this Saturday, he has 214 points for a 16.5 average. He leads the rebounders with a grand total of 156. This means he has averaged 12 rebounds in 13 games against much taller competition.

The 6' 4 1/2 jumping jack has been an important cog-in the balanced scoring machine that Jerry Bush has put on the floor this season.

Highly respected by other coaches and players around the conference, Ekwall was placed on many mythical all-sophomore quints last year. He was also

named to several second-team All Big Seven hardwood teams. This year he was named to the Pre-Season Tournament second team after stellar performances and Kansas State.

Ekwall was a star in high school bringing fame to the small but competitive southeastern Nebraska team. He was sought after by some Big Seven schools as well as a bevy of smaller colleges. He notched 1,984 points during a four year span.

A few years ago Don Macley, a former basketball great at NU and a sharp critic of cage finesse, observed, "Ekwall is one of the best high school players I ever saw. I think he could make any of the state college teams fight now."

The only criticism that can be leveled at him was done by Cornhusker mentor Jerry Bush when he said "He doesn't shoot enough." This can be attributed to his conservatism which is always with him on the maples.

A pitcher in the baseball season, Ekwall had the Omaha Cardinals, the White Sox, and the Pirates camping on his doorstep in an ef-

fort to get him to sign after graduation from high school. During the summer he plays in a multitude of fast semi-pro leagues. A



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at Nebraska." Bush says that he has plenty of poise.

"My biggest thrill in basketball?" Ekwall asked. "That's easy. A few of us in the seventh grade were practicing one evening and the high school coach watched us for a time. After practice he asked me to play with the high school reserves."

## I-M Cage Schedule Nears End

By BOB WIRZ  
I-M Sports Editor

Intramural basketball continues down the final two weeks of regular season with many fine games being played and many more to go.

In some of the most recent games: Alpha Tau Omega rebounded on a Tuesday night loss last week to Delta Tau Delta 25-26 and upset the previously undefeated Delta 48 to 34. However the ATO five still remain two full games behind the front running Delta.

Other fraternity contests found Delta Sigma Phi slipping by Ag Men 33 to 31 in a League 3 thriller. Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Chi fought it out with SAC winning 37 to 35. Delta Upsilon defeated Phi Gamma Delta 47 to 35. Phi Kappa Psi won its sixth game as it walked on Brown Palace by a score of 54 to 26.

Sigma Nu surprised Beta Theta Pi handing them their initial loss 36 to 33. Phi Delta Theta handed Theta Xi its seventh loss 56 to 20, and Ag Men played its second game in as many nights, this time winning over Tau Kappa Epsilon 38 to 28.

In independent league play Geologists slapped A.I.A. 40 to 20. Phi Epsilon Kappa ran by luckless Dent College A by a score of 55 to 31; Newman Club defeated Baptist House by a score of 48 to 25; and Navy ROTC remained undefeated by beating Methodist House 42 to 19.

## Sports Shots Athletic Situation Improving At NU

By MAX KREITMAN  
Sports Editor

As the pearls of wisdom coming pouring out of this editor's mind, he can't help but think of the times to come on the athletic scene at the University of Nebraska.

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ment on those lines comes from performances of freshmen Keith Gardner and Benny Dillard. Gardner has posted top marks in the 60 yard and 440 yard dashes. His best effort was a 48.9 run in the 440. This was just a of a second off the NU fieldhouse standard.

In the running events, Bob Elwood, the sophomore distance ace, continues to pace the milers in the conference. Another bright spot has been the performance of sophomore Larry Gausman. The youngster from Neodesha, Kansas has been undefeated in four outings, copping the high jump with leaps of 6-3 or better. Bernie Randolph has also shown much promise, gaining a leap of 13-10 to cop the pole-vault event.

Red face dept . . . . I made a statement in my column last week about the poor attendance at NU athletic events. I also said that there would be a poor turnout for the NU-KS affair that Saturday night. I was forced to swallow my words when the student body made a half-way effort to show signs of encouragement to the Huskers. I am curious to see the turnout at the Iowa State contest this Saturday. After all NU did lose to K-State.

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