

Nebraskan Selects:

Ekwall Given First-Team Berth On All-Big 7 Squad

1956 ALL BIG SEVEN BASKETBALL TEAM

First Team Second Team

Rex Ekwall	6-4	junior	Nebraska	F	Jack Parr	6-8	sophomore	Kansas State
Gary Thompson	5-10	junior	Iowa State	F	Maurice King	6-3	junior	Kansas
Norm Stewart	6-4	senior	Missouri	C	Jim Ranglos	6-2	senior	Colorado
LeRoy Bacher	6-6	junior	Oklahoma	G	Lionel Smith	6-2	junior	Missouri
Fritz Schnieder	6-3	junior	Kansas State	G	John Crawford	6-5	sophomore	Iowa State

THIRD TEAM: Jim Kubacki, Nebraska; Chuck Vogt, Iowa State; Gene Elston, Kansas; Pachin Vicens, Kansas State; Joe King, Oklahoma.
 MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: Schnieder of Kansas State.
 OUTSTANDING RELIEFER: Sandbulte of Iowa State.
 OUTSTANDING COACH: Tex Winter of K-State and Bill Strannigan of Iowa State.
 SPECIAL AWARD: Dallas Dobbs of Kansas.

The Big Seven basketball race having ended with Kansas State being crowned champions, the Nebraska sports staff has endeavored to choose an All Conference team. The players mentioned for All Star honors have been chosen for their performances in Big Seven Conference games.

The first squad consists of Rex Ekwall and Norm Stewart at the forwards, LeRoy Bacher at center and Gary Thompson and Fritz Schnieder at the guards.

Ekwall, six foot four inch Nebraska junior, was by far one of the outstanding players in the league. His great rebounding and shooting led the Huskers this season.

Stewart, labeled the best basketball player in Missouri history, was a unanimous choice for this mythical team. The Tiger senior carried a 20 plus scoring average throughout the season and was a first team choice on Collier's All District team.

The nod at center goes to LeRoy Bacher of Oklahoma. The Sooner junior was the one shining light in an otherwise dismal Oklahoma season. Bacher at six foot six inches tall is a great rebounder and his artistry with the hook shot is unsurpassed.

Perhaps one of the finest guards in Big Seven history is Gary Thompson. The Cyclone mighty mite, who stands five feet ten inches tall, holds the all time scoring record at Iowa State. His 29 point outburst against the Huskers last Thursday enabled him to shatter the old mark.

Rounding out the first squad is perhaps the most underrated player in the conference, Fritz Schnieder, junior guard from Kansas State, is a high speed fake and drive expert who keeps defenders busy from every angle. His great defensive play and all around hustle sparked the Wildcats to the conference championship and has earned him the most valuable player award from the Nebraska sports staff.

One senior, two juniors and two sophomores notched positions on the Nebraska second five. At the forwards on this squad are Maurice King of Kansas and Jim Ranglos of Colorado. At the center position is Jack Parr of Kansas State and the guards are Lionel Smith of Missouri and John Crawford of Iowa State.

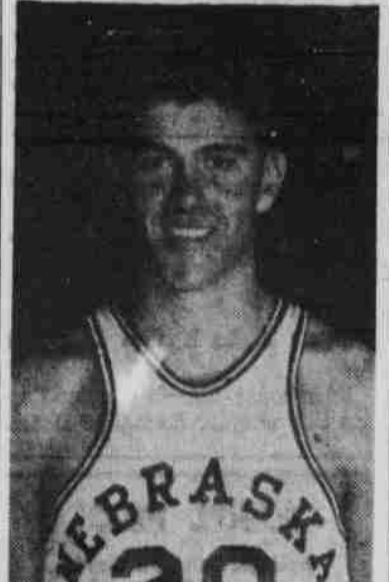
The Nebraska sports staff feels that two special awards are in order this season. We feel that Jerry Sandbulte is deserving of the title of outstanding reliever in the Big Seven.

His outstanding performances in the crucial moments were instrumental in defeating Nebraska twice and were a great help towards

Iowa State's finest season in conference.

The second special award goes to Dallas Dobbs of Kansas. His ineligibility in mid season hurt the Jayhawk pennant drive and makes it impossible for the Nebraska to

name him to its mythical team. Nevertheless, leaving Dobbs completely out when passing out Big Seven honors would not only be an injustice to the Kansas senior but to the entire game of basketball.



Courtesy Lincoln Star
Rex Ekwall



Nebraskan Photo
Gary Thompson



Nebraskan Photo
LeRoy Bacher

WAA
The Fairer Side

By SAROL WILTSE
New champions in the bowling and table tennis tournaments have been revealed this passed week.

The new bowling champion is Mickey Hook while Sally Laase is the new queen of the ping pong table. Sally defeated Margie Holtmeir in the championship playoffs.

Applications can now be obtained at the WAA office for WAA board positions. All interested persons should sign for an interview time either Saturday, March 17 from 1 to 3 on Tuesday, March 20 from 4 to 7. The heads

of the various WAA tournaments will be chosen from the list of applicants.

Three new tournaments, softball, badminton and tennis singles will be starting the Monday following spring vacation. All house reps should attend the meeting this Wednesday at five in order to get the details of the tournaments.

Mixed volleyball is now going into the final round with seven teams still in the race. The teams are: Alpha Xi Delta-Sigma Chi teams one and two; Gamma Phi Beta-Alpha Tau Omega teams one and three; Newman Club; Alpha Omicron Pi-Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Alpha Chi Omega-Sigma Phi Epsilon. Each team must be defeated twice before being eliminated so the championship game will not be played until March 22.



Notice

Selections for all-star ballots for the all-intramural teams are due in the Nebraska office by Monday, March 19.

The selections are to be made in the Fraternity A and B Leagues and the Independent Leagues. An all-University selection will then be made.

Teams failing to submit a list will not be allowed to have a member on the all-star team. The ballots should be turned into Max Kreitman at the Nebraska office.

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Gene Cotter Selected As Sixth Star Of The Week

The Nebraskans choice for Star of the Week is Gene Cotter. Cotter was picked for his outstanding performance in the Big Seven swim meet at Boulder, Colorado last weekend.

The Husker junior was the only winner on the Nebraska squad. He emerged as champion in the one meter diving after nosing out Dale Waffmuth of Iowa State, 439.9 to 433.8.

Gene will be relied upon next season to lead the Huskers to perhaps the Big Seven title. Most of this year's squad will return next season and with the experience they have gathered, the Cornhuskers could be trouble for the champion Oklahoma squad.

Captain Tom Houchen, Nebraska's leading swimmer, has another year of eligibility remaining and can be counted on to team with Cotter to pace the Huskers.

In the seasons opener against Grinnell College, Cotter won the one meter diving in a walkaway. Against Kansas he again won very easily. He defeated Wally Snow,

defending Big Seven champion, as the Huskers dropped Colorado and won in a breeze against Colorado A&M as Nebraska dropped the contest.

He continued winning handily throughout the remainder of the season although he was pressed by Dale Waffmuth of Iowa State in the Big Seven Finals.



Courtesy Sunday Journal and Star
Gene Cotter . . . Nebraskan's Star Of The Week

Sigma Chi Bowlers Top League

Bob Wirz
I-M Editor

Sigma Nu won 3-1 last week and by doing so replaced Selleck as leaders in the Monday bowling league. The Selleck team won only one of four points and thus dropped from the unbeaten ranks. Sigma Phi Epsilon won four to tie the previous leaders.

The Tuesday league also has a new leader this week. Sigma Chi replaces Delta Sigma Pi. Sigma Chi won four points while the Delta Sigs were winning three of four.

The Wednesday evening bowlers are being paced by Sigma Alpha Mu who are 10-2, while Theta Xi and Sigma Phi Epsilon are currently tied for second at 9-3. SAM last week won 4-0 over Phi Gamma

Delta, while the Sig Ep's were drawing at two all with Gus I. Theta Xi drew with Theta Chi. Beta Sigma Psi continued to lead the lead in the Thursday league, although Alpha Tau Omega is only one game behind. Standings:

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