

# Husker Cagers Club UI 67-43 At Home

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The Cornhuskers opened their home basketball season with a road last night as they thoroughly trounced the University of Iowa Hawkeyes 67-41.

The defending Big Ten champions didn't have a chance. The Big Red took charge at the opening tipoff and led throughout the

contest.

Iowa broke the scoring ice shortly after the beginning of the contest when guard Jim McConnell dropped in a jump shot from out-side the key. That was the only time the lowans led.

Ron Parsons, Husker center, hit on a one hander from the left side of the bucket to tie things up while Don Smidt hit on a one hand set

shot and then dumped a free throw to put Nebraska into the lead.

The first half was studded with some fine ball handling by Jim Kubacki and some tremendous board work by captain Rex Eckwall. Time and time again, Kubacki would dribble down the floor and pass off to Smidt or Parsons in some fantastic manner for the score.

Jerry Bush used his starting five all through the first half and did not substitute until the final minutes of play.

Nebraska was successful in stopping Hawkeye center Tom Payne. The Huskers employed a tight defense around the keyhole and held the Iowa pivot man to one point.

Nebraska went to its locker room at intermission sporting a 41-23 lead.

The second half was much the same as the initial canto. The Cornhuskers played control basketball and made their shots count.

Iowa would begin to close the gap when all at once Nebraska would throw in eight or nine quick points to halt the rally. Kubacki and Gary Reimers were tremendous in setting up plays, while Eckwall and Parsons fought like savages under the backboards.

The Hawkeye's big trouble was that they could not come up with a consistent scorer. Roy Johnson was high man for Bucky O'Connor's crew with eight points while Angie Martel had seven.

Ekwall, Parsons and Kubacki led the Husker offense with 15, 14 and 13 points respectively.

Reimers also dunked in 10 points in addition to playing a fine floor game.

This contest also served as a debut for griddler Clarence Cook. Time and time again the McCook sophomore brought cheers from the crowd as he wrestled under the backboards for control of the ball. Cook, who has only had a few days of practice, had not yet reached top form and was a very rough man to deal with.

NEBRASKA 67		
	Ptd	FT Total
f Ekwall	6	3 15
f Arwood	0	0 0
f Swank	0	0 0
f Smidt	3	1 7
f Finn	0	1 2
f Wanner	0	2 2
c Parsons	4	6 14
c Howard	0	0 0
g Reimers	4	2 10
g Wells	0	0 0
g White	0	0 0
g Kubacki	6	1 13
g Doebels	1	0 2
g Cook	0	0 0
g McAfee	1	1 3
Totals	25	17 67

IOWA 41		
	Ptd	FT Total
f Gunther	1	3 5
f Schroeder	1	0 0
f Sebolt	1	0 2
f Seaberg	1	0 2
g Martel	0	1 1
g Johnson	4	0 8
g Wordlaw	1	2 4
g McConnell	3	0 6
g Martel	3	1 7
g Williams	2	0 4
Totals	34	1 41

Nebraska	41	26	67
Iowa	23	18	41

# THE NEBRASKAN Sports

## Huskies Drop Two: UCLANS Dump Huskers To Open 1956-57 Season

Nebraska dropped its basketball season opened to mighty UCLA generally conceded to be the class of the Pacific Coast Conference this year, 69-56 last Friday night and then topped a dismal week-end performance by losing to the same team on Saturday, 78-60.

Little Jim Kubacki led the Huskers in their first game with 16 points. Senior captain Rex Eckwall patrolled both backboards in his usual exemplary fashion and added twelve points toward breaking the all time Nebraska scoring record.

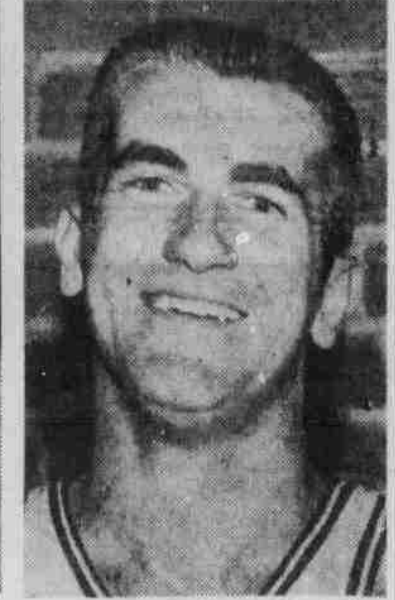
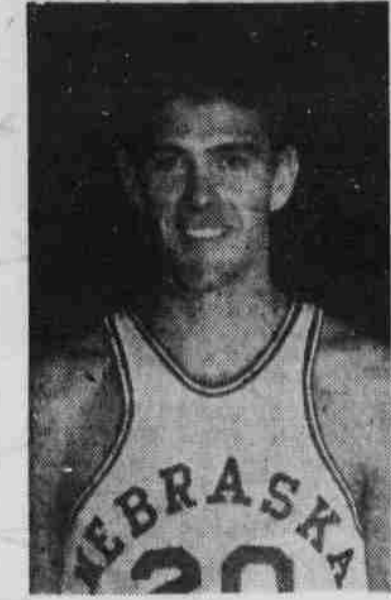
UCLA's balanced attack was the secret of the Uclan's success. Ranga center Conrad Burke wound up the games high scorer with 17 points but teammates Carl Rogers, and Walt Torrence each scored in double figures.

Nebraska held a 32-24 lead with two minutes to go in the half but UCLA dropped through 10 points to the Huskers' two to earn a half-time tie. Nebraska hung close at 40-40 with twelve minutes left but soon faded under the Uclans steady scoring pressure.

The Saturday night contest was the exact opposite of the Friday affair. Nebraska rolled over and played dead the first half and left the floor trailing 38-18.

The second half was an entirely different story, however. Big Don Smidt, Junior forward from Helena, Montana, hit his stride and pumped in most of the 22 points he finished with. He was aided by the lantern jawed Eckwall who got 13 while Gary Reimers contributed twelve.

Forward Jim Halsten lead UCLA with 17 while Rogers, Torrence and Banton all scored in two figures. The leading scorers of the previous night, Burke and Kubacki, both took a rest. Burke got seven and Kubacki only two.



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### Strictly Sportstalk

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#### Baseball Leagues Begin Drafts . . .

The Major Leagues began their drafting yesterday at the annual baseball meeting in Jacksonville, Florida. The Chicago Cubs were first to pick and their choice was Cal Neenan, a 24-year-old catcher from Denver of the American Association. The Kansas City Athletics chose second in the draft and chose right-handed pitcher Ed Blake of Toronto of the International League. The Detroit Tigers selected former Major League outfielder Gil Coan from Minneapolis of the American Association, while the St. Louis Cardinals drafted Bob Gilchrist Smith, 26-year-old southpaw pitcher from San Francisco in the Pacific Coast League. The Boston Red Sox took pitcher Jack Spring from Miami of the International League, the Cincinnati Redlegs drafted Gerry Lynch, an outfielder from Hollywood in the Pacific Coast League and the Chicago White Sox took Norman Larker, left-handed hitting first baseman from Montreal in the International League.

All the others passed on the first round, but the Cardinals took right-handed Lloyd Merritt, 24-year-old pitcher, from Birmingham in the Southern Association.

As a sidelight from the drafting, it was announced at the baseball meetings that Eddie Stanky, former manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, had signed as third base coach for the Cleveland Indians.

#### Frank And Terry Make Up . . .

According to United Press, Frank Leahy, former Notre Dame coach, and Terry Brennan, his successor, have called off their feud. Leahy touched off the uproar with the charge that the Irish this year were "laying down, not fighting." This statement came on the eve of the Southern California game Saturday. Brennan called these remarks part of a personal and bitter feud and promised to tell the full story after the Southern California game.

Yesterday Brennan said that there was no feud and that he and Leahy had been misquoted. Reports indicated that Brennan's refusal to let All-America Paul Hornung appear on Leahy's TV show the night before the game might have started it.

#### Nothing But A Rumor . . .

Word has been circulating around campus the last few days that freshman basketball star Herschel Turner had received a fat offer from Michigan State University and that he would soon leave Nebraska for greener pastures.

In a telephone conversation last evening, the Indianapolis flash told this writer that there was no such offer and that he was perfectly happy playing for Jerry Bush and Tony Sharpe.

#### Straight From The Horses Mouth . . .

Iowa coach Bucky O'Connor in an interview with KNUS Sports Director Kent Briggs stated that Illinois is definitely the team to beat in the Big Ten.

O'Connor also said that Kansas might be in for a surprise when they tangle with Northwestern. The Iowa coach did not say that Northwestern would beat Kansas but he did say that it might be a closer game than most people expect. As you read this you probably already know the outcome of the contest but please bear in mind that this column was written in the afternoon before the two clubs met.

#### Detroit And Kansas City Trade . . .

The Detroit Tigers and the Kansas City Athletics yesterday completed an eight player deal. The Tigers will send pitchers Ned Garver and Virgil Trucks to the "A's" in exchange for second basemen Jim Finigan and first baseman Eddie Robinson. Other players involved were minor leaguers except Detroit first baseman Wayne Belardi who will also go to Kansas City.

## Intramural Stars: Top Fraternity Football Team Members Picked

FIRST TEAM		
Name	Position	Organization
Don Appleby	E	Sigma Phi Epsilon
Kem Billings	E	Phi Kappa Psi
Tito Mladovich	G	Delta Tau Delta
Dick Skold	C	Phi Delta Theta
Gene Souponchick	B	Sigma Phi Epsilon
Leonard Lindgren	B	Delta Tau Delta
Wally Bryans	B	Sigma Alpha Epsilon

SECOND TEAM		
John Beideck	E	Delta Tau Delta
Rick Mason	E	Sigma Phi Epsilon
Bud Jefferies	G	Sigma Phi Epsilon
John Haessler	C	Phi Kappa Psi
Harold Sorenson	B	Sigma Phi Epsilon
Jon Appleget	B	Phi Kappa Psi
Terry Trueblood	B	Alpha Tau Omega

THIRD TEAM		
Phil Hart	E	Phi Gamma Delta
Jack Bryans	E	Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Quink Moore	C	Phi Kappa Psi
Dan Brand	G	Sigma Nu
Ron Bath	B	Alpha Gamma Rho
Jim Baird	B	Phi Gamma Delta
Jim O'Hanlon	B	Beta Theta Pi

HONORABLE MENTION: Ends—Don Cupper, Alpha Tau Omega and Dick Cottrell, Phi Delta Theta. Center—Norm Knoch, Delta Tau Delta. Guard—John Fagan, Beta Theta Pi. Backs—Dick Jacobs, Phi Delta Theta, Russ Nielson, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Ron Decker, Acaia.

By GARY PETERSON  
Intramural Editor  
Sigma Phi Epsilon, All University intramural football champions, placed 5 men on the three honorary fraternity football teams to lead all other organizations. Sig Ep men picked were Don Appleby, Gene Souponchick, Rick Mason, Bud Jefferies, Harold Sorenson. This year's team was picked on the basis of the voting of intramural players from each organization. Each team submitted two all-opponent teams. Players receiving the highest number of votes were then selected. This is the reason some of the linemen have been assigned different positions than they regularly played. At the ends on the first unit are Appleby and Kem Billings. Both Appleby and Billings were unanimous selections. Appleby was a

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## Olympic Records Expected To Fall

At least three more records were expected to fall in the Olympics today.

The three events slated to be record busters were all in the pool. They are women's diving, the 400-meter race and the 1500 meter race.

The United States, still dominant in team strength led the Russians with an unofficial team total of 468 to the Red 419 1/2.

key defensive player in the Sig Eps undefeated season. Billings was the blocking stand-out for the Phi Phis. At center is Dick Skold. Dick did a very fine job for the Phi Deltas. His offensive and defensive work helped the Phi Deltas to a respectable season. At center is Tito Mladovich.

Tito was considered by many to be the "toughest" player in intramural ball. His blocking was a major factor in the passing game of the Deltas. The unanimous pick for the number one back was little "Soup" Souponchick. Gene was the whole offensive show for the Sig Eps. He was dangerous either running or passing.

The other back spots go to Leonard Lindgren of the Deltas and Wally Bryans of the Sig Alphas. Lindgren was one of the best passers in intramural play. Bryans kept the Alphas in the running until the final play-offs.

Backing up the front-runners are John Beideck, Rick Mason, Bud Jefferies, John Haessler, Harold Sorenson, Jon Appleget, and Terry Trueblood.

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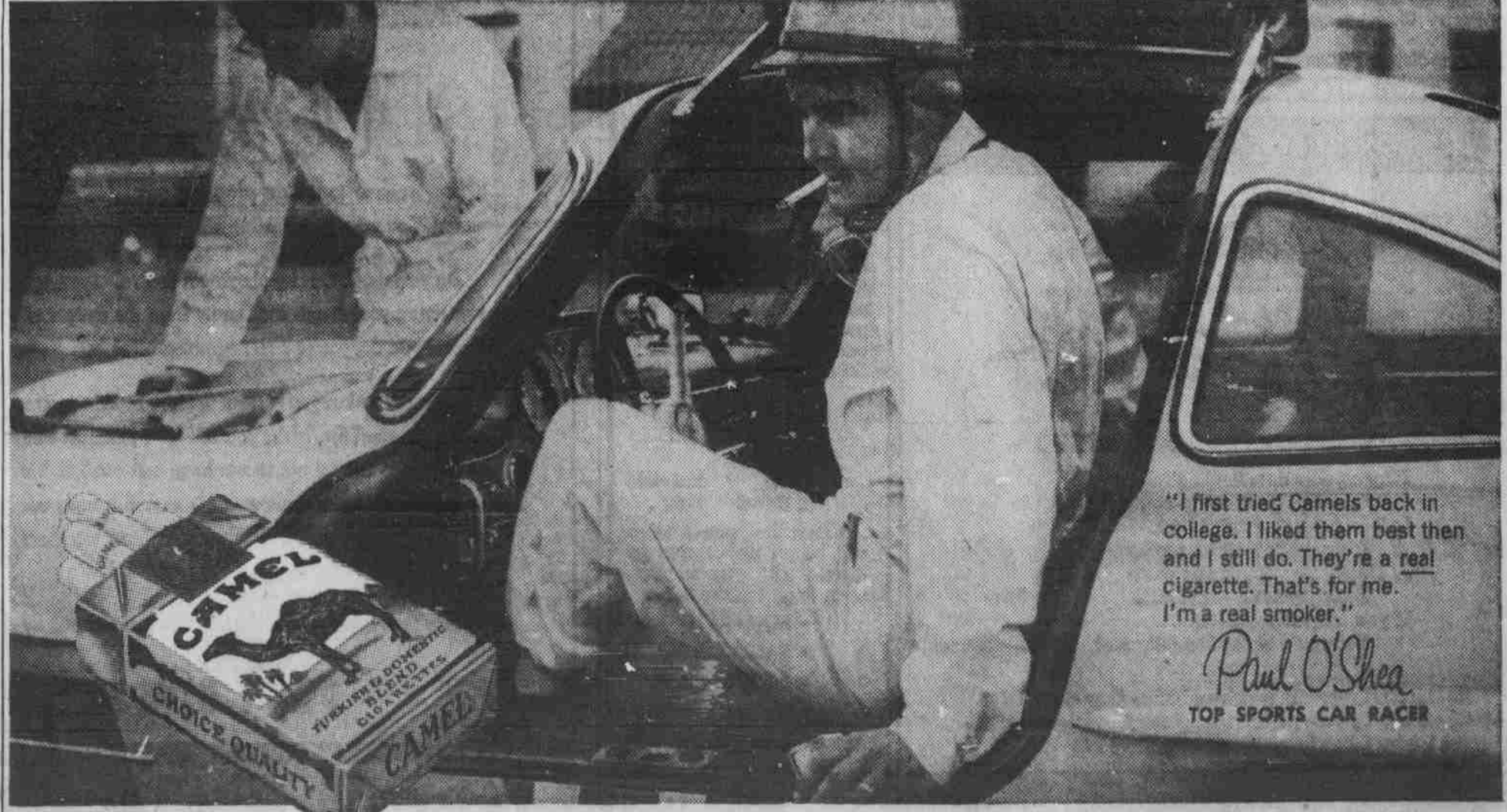
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