

Big Innings Help:

# Nebraska Wins Two From MU

Two big innings were the difference Friday and Saturday as the Nebraska baseball team moved closer to first place in the Big Seven Standings by taking two of three games from Missouri.

Friday the Huskers exploded for seven runs in the seventh inning to win 8-6, and Saturday in the opener of a double-header they picked up six tallies in the second to win a 7-2 decision. Mizou had to come from behind to salvage the final game 5-2 with a three run upsurge in the fifth.

Pitcher Charles Ziegenbein and were the heroes of the first game of the series. Ziegenbein went three for three at bat and drove in 3 big runs while Kubacki had three for four.

Missouri opened scoring with three runs in the fourth frame and Nebraska came back with one on the fifth on a triple by little "Kuba" and Ziegenbein doubled him home.

Everything was calm and Bob Cooper had the Huskers eating out of his hand until the seventh. Nothing went wrong in this frame with Jim Kane, Kubacki and Ziegenbein getting the big blows.

Ziegenbein was touched for three more runs and Kubacki had to come on in the ninth to save the victory for Nebraska.

Nebraska outbit the losers 13-12. Frank Nappi and Larry Lewis added two hits apiece to the Husker cause.

Sophomore Dwight Siebler held the hard hitting Tigers in the Sat-

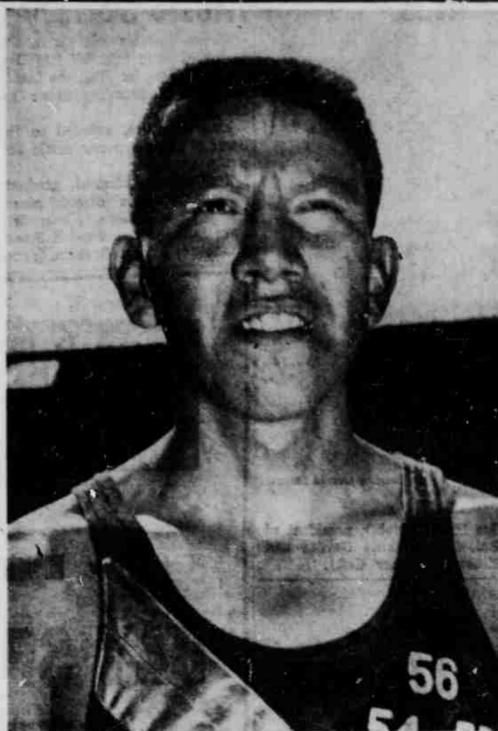
urday opener won by Nebraska 7-2. This time a six run second frame did the trick. Nebraska got one run in the first. Leftfielder Gene Torczon got the only earned run of the second with his second home run of the season. Lewis drove in two Husker tallies while Gary Reimers, Kane, and Torczon each had one RBI.

Siebler was outstanding on the hill. Only in the fourth when Lee Keefer doubled and Jack Davis homered did the slick right-hander have trouble. He gave only three singles the remainder of the game in picking up his third triumph of the season against one loss.

Nebraska moved in to the league lead following the first Saturday contest but it was a short lived experience. Missouri came back in the nightcap with full intentions of regaining their position and they were successful after a long struggle.

Bob Gleason started for coach Tony Sharpe but he was lifted in favor of Roger Bottorff in the third. At the time, Gleason had given up only one run but his wildness had him in hot water with only one out. Bottorff got out of the jam and the Huskers took a 2-1 lead in the fourth.

Missouri sewed up the contest with three unearned runs in the fifth and added a big insurance tally in the sixth frame. Bo Toft had the big blow of the game—a bases-loaded double—after two walks and an error



Joe American Horse, grandson of a Sioux Chief from Gordon, posted a time of 4:28.1 in the state high school track meet here Saturday. The time was good enough to shatter Joe's

old mark but failed to break the 10 year old state record. Joe has placed four years in a row in that event, winning it three of those times.

# THE NEBRASKAN SPORTS

## State Prep Track Meet:

# Beatrice Cops State Track Title; Knaub Leads Colorful Contest

The Orangemen from Beatrice surprised everyone Saturday and edged the Scottsbluff Bearcats to earn themselves the state track crown for the second consecutive year. This has not been done since Omaha Tech turned the trick in 1948-49. The men of Coach Willis Jones' track squad were the underdogs of the track two-day carnival but the determined thin-lads denied the statistics and used to their advantage the depth of the squad to cop the title.

The rest of the meet was a complete turnabout for the other classes. In the Class B section, the men from Gordon were nosed out by the prepsters from Gothenburg coached by W. L. Zorn. Ainsworth and Hebron were deadlocked for the third and fourth positions with 18 points each.

Ray posted his speedy time of 9.9 in the hundred, whizzed to a 22.2 time in the 220-yard dash, and anchored the Scottsbluff 880-yard relay team to a win.

In the Class A 440-yard run J. D. Shafer provided the thrills for the fans. The slight lad passed two competitors in the last 12 yards to break the tape with a 30.6 clocking, one tenth of a second from the meet mark.

In the most surprising finish of the day John Thompson of Lincoln High nipped favored Tom Ash of Omaha North in the Class A mile run. John who has been steadily improving in his specialty clipped Ash at the tape to win the mile besting his fastest time by eight seconds. Ash could not seem to find the pace in the cold of the day and fell at the finish line but gained second place honors.

Twelve of the favored 15 event leaders crossed the finish line first to gain the pre-showered laurel. These were Joe American Horse, Gordon, mile; Ray Knaub, Scottsbluff, 100 and 220; J. D. Shafer, Hastings, 440; Don Pulse, Valparaiso, also, tied in the 20-yard high hurdles; Ron Callan, McCook, 880-yard run; Curtis Rutt, Hastings, discus; Larry Fisher, Beatrice, shot put; Bill Mountford of Nebraska City 10 years ago. Joe felt if he had someone to push him for the last half of the race, he would have been able to break the record but as it was he had to be content with winning the run for three consecutive years.

Joe's younger brother, Emmett, also ran in the state meet and took first in the Class B 880-yard run but failed to win the gold medal as his older brother did. Emmett is a sophomore, however, and will have two more chances at lowering his time in that event.

Probably the most publicized man of the meet was the speed king junior from Scottsbluff, Ray Knaub. He became the three gold medal winner for this year's meet.

## State Champions

- Class A ..... Beatrice
- Class B ..... Gothenburg
- Class C ..... Cambridge
- Class D ..... Amherst

## Highlights Of Meet:

# American Horse Bid Fails To Establish Mile Record

Joe needed push? Besides the support from all of the 5,000 fans, and participants of the state track meet, Joe American Horse had two especially important rooters. These were Bill Mountford of Red Cloud and Marvin Zimmerman of Nebraska City who combined to record the "magic mile" of the Nebraska high school track meet in 1947, just 10 years ago last weekend.

The two, who had never met again since the race 10 years ago until Saturday, had this to say about the Sioux Chief's grandson's running of the 4:28.1 mile.

They both believed that Joe might easily have broken their record, or Mountford's record, had he been hard pressed by some other contender besides himself.

Kraft almost reaches mark . . . Jim Kraft of Scottsbluff who vaulted a nice 12 feet 6 1/2 inches almost cleared 12 feet 10 inches Saturday but an elbow made his bid fail. Kraft cleared the ceiling but his elbow caught the bar on the way down and pulled it off. If Kraft could have cleared the barrier he would have set a new vault record. Ray Knaub's brother, Rich, authored the mark of 12 feet, 9 1/2 inches a few years back.

Mullins sparkles . . . Joe Mullins of the University of Nebraska freshman track squad performed in an exhibition race during the state high school track meet. Joe churned the half-mile

run with a time of 1:51.6. Mike Fleiming also of the freshman squad, turned in an impressive 4:18.2 mile.

# Huskers Tied In Big Seven With I-State

Missouri remained on top of the tight Big Seven conference race last week end despite the fact Nebraska won 2 or 3 games from the Tigers.

The Huskers and Iowa State currently are tied for second place, a half game back of Mizou. Oklahoma and Kansas are both one and one-half games back but the Sooners are in fourth percentage wise. Colorado is sixth four games behind and Kansas State is in the cellar six games off the pace.

Iowa State has the best success over the week end as they swept two contests from K-State by the scores of 13-2 and 12-6 after their Friday game was rained out.

Colorado and Oklahoma traded two to nothing games Saturday after snow stopped their opener. The Buffs won the opener and the Sooners copped the nightcap.

Next week end Iowa State will play host to Kansas, Colorado visits K-State, and Nebraska will meet the Sooners in Lincoln. Missouri is idle.

# Press Box Views

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In my last column, I made the mistake of going out on the limb and predicting Bold Ruler as the probable winner of the Kentucky Derby. He finished a badly winded fourth. The oddity of the race is that the horse that beat him, Iron Liege, had been beaten every time the two raced against each other.

Not only that, Iron Liege is supposed to be Calumet farms third string runner behind General Duke, who was eliminated because of a bone bruise, and Barbibon, who was the champion two year old last year but had suffered from sickness this year. How are ya gonna pick em????

Professional tennis in the U.S. is at its lowest state since its inception. At the present time, Pancho Gonzales is the champion among the pay-for-play-boys, but who does he play for this championship? Don Budge who works all year around takes time off to play in the one tournament. Bobby Riggs concentrates on golf, Ken Rosewall is an Australian who is just rounding into form, Frank Parker sells paper boxes and Tony Trabert has turned to hawking bank notes after his poor showing on Jack Kramers tour.

A recent article in SPORTS ILLUSTRATED called the World Pro Tennis championships a "class reunion." Budge is 42, and Riggs won the Wimbledon in 1939 when I was two years old.

After the tournament, the few who played tennis all-year round went back to their one-night stands and the rest went back to their jobs to wait for next years tournament.

Pro tennis has turned to touring foursmen who play exhibitions across the country. Jack Kramer, former worlds champion has top tour going at the present time. He recently offered Lew Hoad, the giant Australian whose playing makes his country the favorite in the Davis Cup matches, \$125,000 to turn pro this fall. Gonzales, who is probably starting a tour of his own, was scared away from Hoad

ing Hoad a similar job because of this high figure. This is pro tennis today. It will remain that way until tournaments are opened to everyone whether amateur or pro, like in golf. Until that time, the pros will have no solid competitive place in world of tennis.

With all the attention turned upon the state High School track meet here in Lincoln this weekend, another tournament went relatively unnoticed. I'm speaking of the State High School Golf tournament held last Friday at the Happy Hollow Golf course in Omaha.

A young man right here from Lincoln took top honors, blistering the course for a one-under-par 71. His name is Ralph (Bud) Williamson and he attends Lincoln High. His high school won team honors with their three low men coming in for a total of 242.

George Radik of Omaha South was Williamson's only threat, finishing five strokes behind with a 76. Omaha Westside was Lincoln High's main competition as their three Linksmen shot a 244.

The state champion for the last two years, Bob Epstein, wilted under the pressure of possibly becoming the only man to win three championships and carded an 86.

Many of the boys playing in the tournament are seniors who are probably trying to decide what college they are going to attend. We have in this state the makings of some very outstanding golfers and possibly some outstanding future Cornhuskers. Let's not lose them. If they are going to continue to play golf, they might as well play for their home state school.

Jim Myers (Tennessee '47), in his first season as head coach at Iowa State, was All-Southern guard at Duke during the war but played three years at Tennessee besides. He developed five All-American linemen while coaching at UCLA.

Neither rain, nor snow, nor sleet, nor hail shall ever make this record fail. A. E. (Deac) Eolters set the 35-year old Iowa high school 440 record in 1922.



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## Gardner Athlete Of Year?

# Gardner Named Nominee For Athlete Of The Year

Gardner could develop into one of the finest athletes ever to wear a Nebraska uniform if he could but keep up the improvement.

Gardner now holds many Nebraska records and should, barring the trouble, produce many more marks if even breaking his own records. Keith gave a few talks on his trip to Melbourne, Australia where the Games were held and gave a wonderful account of his ideas

menous accomplishment but Gardner also tied the three dual marks. The speedster would flash past the fans and break the tape only to come running on the outside of the track back past the spectators. With the crowd boisterously cheering, Gardner would give his salute as he trotted past. A salute of victory that was never denied to the fans throughout the indoor season.

Gardner, who is a sophomore this year, swept every thing he entered in the Nebraska indoor season and at the Big Seven Indoor meet he emerged as the top point getter. During the outdoor season Keith has lost races but they have been very few in number.



Courtesy Lincoln Star GARDNER

gained there and the international friendship promoted. After his return from Australia Keith was afraid he could not help Nebraska's track team when he did not place in the Games. In his first indoor meet Keith slammed the hurdle events and the 80-yard dash event. This itself was a tre-

Our congratulations to Keith Gardner for being the first nominee for the Nebraskan's Athlete of the Year.

This year the Daily Nebraskan is awarding the Athlete of the Year award to the most deserving athlete who has proven himself outstanding in any field of sports. Many factors will be taken into consideration concerning the title including the character, the athletic ability, the name the athlete has earned for himself outside of the athletic world and many other things.

The first nominee on the Daily Nebraskan list is that of the speed king Keith Gardner. Not much needs explaining why Keith is up for the award but for the sake of reiteration I shall attempt to again display a few of the Jamaican Jet's laurels.

Keith is now on the University campus from Jamaica where he earned many cinder titles, one being a representative for the country in the Olympics. While at the Olympics Keith did not win anything because some hard luck befell the young man. But he did come home with a budding romance and now plans to take that girl for a wife.

# Unterseher Paces Links Tennis Squad

Young Nell Unterseher led Lincoln High Saturday to the Nebraska State High School Class A Tennis title. Unterseher swept through the semifinals and finals in the single tournament without losing a game to either Noble Vosburg of Creighton Prep or Jack Croft of North Platte. Both opponents are well respected in prep circles.

Hastings finished second with 10 points just two behind the Links. Creighton Prep, Omaha Benson, North Platte and Scottsbluff had six points while Omaha Central finished with four.

Dick Becher and Steve Gleason won the doubles for Hastings defeating Bill Orwig and Dave Calhoun of Lincoln 6-4, 6-4 in the finals.

Fairbury, Hooper and Valley each scored six points to tie for the Class B championships. Ray Graves of Fairbury was the Class B singles champion.