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# Last Series: **Title Hopes Dim As Diamond Squad Travels To Lawrence**

By STAN WIDMAN **Edition Sports Editor** The Husker diamond crew, their sas Jayhawkers, Tuesday and title hopes riding on a prayer, will Wednesday. The Huskers need vic-

> The Hot Corner By BOB WIRZ **Staff Sports Writer**

Since this will be my last column for the 1956-57 school year I would like to deviate a bit from the regular procedure and not write about baseball this time, but instead, look at the Nebraska sports scene for next year.

## Football first . . .

Starting with the first fall sport let's take a look at football for 1957. The Huskers will be playing for the third consecutive year under a new head coach. Bill Jennings, an assistant in 1956, takes over the head reins in place of Pete Elliott. The new California head mentor had only a fair season in his rookie year with a 4-6 mark.

One of the big jobs for Jennings will be in replacing one of the best forward walls in Nebraska history. Tackle Jack Fleming, guards Jim Murphy and LaVerne Torczon, and center Bob Berguin all receive their diplomas in June and won't be around for the next season of play. These men were together for three years of college play and they did an outstanding job. Only Don Kampe, Jerry Peter-son, Marlin Hilding, and Mike Lee will be back from the starting unit. However, Jennings also has other lettermen at these positions that should fill in adequately.

The backfield also suffered. Flashy Willie Greenlaw has used up his college eligibility and will no longer be around to help win the ball games as he was for three years. This gap should be filled by Larry Naviaux, who had a good sophomore year. With George Harshman, Jerry Brown, and Frank Nappi also around, the picture shouldn't be too bad.

In all it looks like the Huskers could easily have a better mark than in 1956 but don't look for any miracles.

### Basketball . . .

The hoop sport could be one of the real question marks for the Huskers. Jerry Bush will be without his three year star Rex Ekwall. The Holmesville flash has used up his varsity time. Ron Parsons the sophomore center from Cleveland may not be around and this creates a problem at center.

Bush will still have a good nucleus with Gary Reimers, Lyle Nannen, Jim Kubacki, Don Smidt and Jim Arwood returning among the men with the most experience. Terry Howard or freshman Bob Mayo could be big cogs in the basketball picture along with other freshmen and returning squadsmen.

### Track hopes are high . . .

The thinclads jumped from last place in 1956 to third in both the indoor and outdoor meets in 1957 and they will probably go even higher in '57

Dale Knotek, Dean Brittenham, Lee Carter, and Bob Niemann will be the only men missing next campaign. Such stars as Keith Gardner, Bob Elwood, Bill Hawkins, and Bill Marten will all be back for another try. In addition, Frank Sevigne will have added some brilliant frosh to this roster.

Leading the list will be Joe Mullins the versatile lad from Nova Scotia. Also Mike Fleming, Ken Ash, and others will be ready for varsity action.

Baseball also improved . . . Tony Sharpe also should have a better baseball squad. Only Roger Bottorff and John Beideck will be missing from the present squad.

With added experience for all members the team will definitely be in strong contention for the conference crown. Pitchers Charles Ziegenbein and Dwight Siebler will have added experience and should carry the load. Jim Kane, Gene Torczon, Kubacki, Reimers, and many others will again be on hand.

### Netters also stronger . .

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The Husker tennis team that were vastly improved this year over last should climb into conference contention. Only number five man, Tom Stitt, will be missing from the current squad. Experience and some fine newcomers should bolster the outlook. Three swimmers graduate . .

Coach Hollie Lepley will have all swimmers returning except Fred Helmsdoerfer and divers Bill Tagney and Gene Cotter. This years long list of sophomores will lead the squad along with three two year vets.

Wrestling and Gymnastics losses few . . .

Two other sports, wrestling and gymnastics should also be im-

invade Lawrence, Kansas for a tories in all three games before three game series against the Kan- they can even think of a title and the college world series

Probably starting pitcher for the single game on Tuesday is Charlie Ziegenbein. Charlie lost to Oklahoma his last time out, 4-3, pitching a beautiful two hitter. He is currently sporting a 3-2 win loss record for the season.

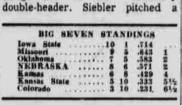
The Husker infield slated to start include Al Karle (if injury is sufficiently healed) at second base, Al Newbill or John Biedeck at first base, Jim Kubacki or Paul Robinson at shortstop and Frank Nappi at the hot corner. Gil Dunne will step in Karle's shoes if Al's injury, sustained while colliding with the Sooner first baseman, does not improve.

Nappi appears to be the most improved man on the squad. He finally hit his stride against Oklahoma and should be one of the big guns against the fifth place Kansas team. The outfield will be composed of

Gary Reimers in center, Larry All-American Lewis in right and Gene Torczon in left. All three have been playing From Kansas steady ball with Torczon hitting well over .300 for the season. Lewis was the main hitter in the last To Attend NU game against Oklahoma getting 3

for 4 and driving in two runs. Jim Kane will handle the catching chores. He is close to .300 in the batting department with 12 runs-batted-in.

Dwight Siebler and Roger Bottorff will probably get the pitching Kan. assignments for the Wednesday



no-bitter against the Sooners, but lost it, 1-0 on two errors and a walk. Bottoroff has won three in 1956. games thus far this season while

losing one. Kansas will use their ace hurl- He is a B Student, er, Ray Wiley, for the opener. He

has a 4-1 record and appears to be the best Kansas has.

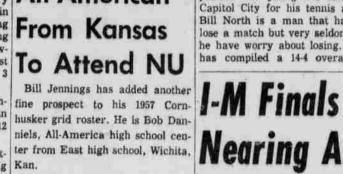
Leading the Jayhawks in the hitting department are Keady, outfield and catcher, Pfutzenreuter, second baseman, and Trombold, first baseman.

Shirley will be one of the pitchers opposing the Huskers on Wednesday. The other hurler hasn't been announced. This is the last series of the sea

son for the Big Red. Varsity Rifle Club



this year.



**Courtesy Lincoln Star** 

BILL NORTH . . . His fine ten-

nis play earned him a nomina-

tion for athlete of the year.

Story at right.

Daniels is a well-proportioned lad. He weighs 200 pounds and holds it with a 6-2 frame. He led his line by gathering 27 tackles

last season against Arkansas City. His average was 15. Daniels not double elimination stage I-M softonly offers his excellent defensive ability for exploitation but he also

played with the East Baseball nine which won the Kansas State title

> Coaches shouldn't have to give him too big a scholastic boost.

**lowa** State Tops Big 7 Title Chace

The time has come for diamond mentor Tony Sharpe to wave his magic wand if he hopes to cop petition pending a report on last the Big Seven baseball title for

Last weekend Tony's crew lost two tough decisions on a two the big game tomorrow night. hitter and a no hitter to Okla- Game time will be 5:29 at Ag homa to bounce them from the campus.

The Varsity Rifle Club, at its second rung on the loop ladder Here is a season rundown on ay 17th meeting, elected the fol- to fourth position. The three game the three teams which, as of last



## **Tennis Star: Bill North Last Nominee** For Athlete Of The Year

doubles matches.

By DEL RASMUSSEN

Staff Sports Writer Bill North, rising young tennis and swimming star for the Scarlet and Cream, has been nominated by the Nebraskan Sports Staff for the Athlete of the Year award for his talents displayed in a Nebraska uniform in these two sports.

North, who is but a sophomore nis for the net crew. Coach Ed Higgenbotham has incessantly praised the young lad from the Capitol City for his tennis ability. Bill North is a man that hates to lose a match but very seldom does he have worry about losing. North has compiled a 14-4 overall win



**Rain Delays** Icy winds and soaking rains last week forced cancellation of the

word from Ed Higgenbotham, director of the I-M tourney.

pushed ahead and are now underway for the four-team All-University tourney featuring the fraternity white, fraternity red, quadrangle and independent victors.

ent winner. The DC's beat Navy ROTC 11-8 last Friday at Ag cam-

sophomore Dick Jahr. Gardner In another Friday game the won the 120-yd. high hurdles and Delta Upsilon nine uppered themfinished third in the 220-yd, dash. selves to the All-Fraternity cham-He also ran a leg on the Huskers pionship with their 4-1 victory over third place relay team. Alpha Gamma Sigma of the white

This means there are three teams left in All-University com-

night's Delta Upsilon-Hitchcock House game. The winner of that one will face Dental College for

loss record for the whole season | Nebraska uniform. Of course tennis is not the only excluding the Big Seven Championship tennis matches, which sport for which Bill won his nomispeaks for itself in regard to ten- nation for the Athlete of the Year award. He also swam for Coach nis prowess.

The Lincolnite net ace graduated Hollie Lepley's tank men where from Lincoln High School in 1955 he compiled a record in the water where he first received his start to match his record on the courts. in the court game. While Bill was Coach Lepley had junior Carl in high school, he gained the honor Bodensteiner figured for his ace in college, has played brilliant ten- of being the Nebraska State High in the 220 and 440-yard freestyle School tennis singles champion- events but North proved him ship. Then he enrolled in the Uni- wrong. Carl cannot be discredited versity and since then has been and did grab many ribbons but it playing championship tennis for was Bill who many times either chased Carl to the finish line or the squad.

North's doubles record is al- nosed him out for the top place most as striking as is his singles laurals. With North only a sophomark. North has been plaving in more, Hollie can breathe contentthe number three, two and one edly for the next two years. North spots for the team and has been puts on a good performance but doubling with George Fisk, Art always seems to get what he Weaver and Charles Kress in the wants. . . . first place.

Bill is a sophomore in the College of Business Administration In the Big Seven Championships matches held here last weekend, and is a member of Sigma Chi so-North lost to his opponent 6-0, 6-0, cial fraternity.

North is the fifth nominee for the and the doubles team of North-Weaver also lost. But with two Athlete of the Year award for this more years of tennis playing left, year. There was no award given the young North could turn into last year but Bruce Riley won the one of the best players to don a trophy in 1954-55.

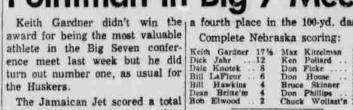
## Gardner Is NU's High Pointman In Big 7 Meet

Keith Gardner didn't win the a fourth place in the 100-yd. dash. award for being the most valuable Complete Nebraska scoring:

has been named to the National Basketball All-American High

prise for the Huskers as he contributed a second in the 220 and the finals of the state Class B tournament and set a tournament Class B scoring record with a 30 point outburst in the semi-finals

> The award makes Bauer eligible for the National High School All-Star basketball game to be played in Hutchinson Kansas on June 14. RENTALS SALES SERVICE **BLOOM TYPEWRITER** EXCHANGE 323 N. 13th 2-5258 Courtesy Sunday Journal and Star KEITH GARDNER



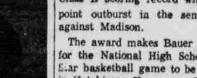


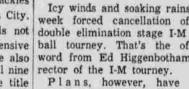
## **Uni-High Ace Named**

Marvin Bauer of University High

School team for 1957.

Bauer lead University High to





Dental College is the independ- the Huskers.

of 1712 points some 51/2 better than pus.

Jahr was the most pleasant sur-

league.

ball tourney. That's the official Plans, however, have been

proved. Don Straheim losses only two of this years grapplers via the graduation route, and reserves on this seasons squad can probably fill the gap.

Jake Geier will keep up the torrid pace in gymnastics as only senior captain Wayne Strickler will be missing. Strickler was outstanding this year but the additional experience picked up by sophomores and juniors plus the addition of some top newcomers will keep the squad on top.

And last but not least the golf squad should be improved. This season Jery Bush didn't have too much success with his linksters but underclassmen played large roles in the years play.

Mike McCuiston, one of the more consistent squad members, is just a sophomore. Although they may not have a conference winner next season the golf crew can definitely be counted on for a few victories. Overall picture bright . . .

Altogether 1957-58 should be a banner year in sports for Nebraska. It should be one that provides some top thrills for Husker fans along with giving rewards to the athletes in their various fields. At least, it will definitely be worth looking forward to when you come back to school in the fall,

We will hope for the best but win or lose the fighting Nebraska spirit that has been witnessed this year must remain forever. Thanks to everyone .

In the final few lines of this column I would like to thank sports editor Bob Martel for the wonderful opportunities he has given me this semester.

Also I wish to thank the entire coaching staff, plus John Bently, Bill Orwig, and others for their help and information.

And finally thanks to everyone on the staff of the Daily Nebraskan

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lowing officers for the coming series ended with both Oklahoma night, were still in the competi academic year:

President, John Landers, a junior in engineering. Vice-president, Donald Bell, a freshman in Arts and Sciences. Secretary-treasurer, Ken Nowotny, a sophomore in Enof the season. gineering and Public information officer, Conley Cleveland, a fresh-

their next three games to last place Colorado, Missouri would man in Agriculture. The club passed a resolution lose all of their games to Oklacommending Capt. Miller for his homa, and if Nebraska were to direction of the club during the grab the complete series from past year. Capt. Miller will be Kansas this week Nebraska would transferred to another post and re- be on top of the league by one

signed his position as club advisor. full game,

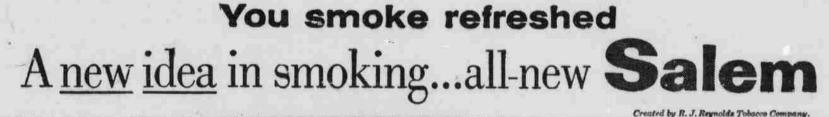
and Iowa State nudging the Husk-\tion: er nine down to the fourth posi-Delta

Upsilon 13, Theta Xi. 1 Upsilon 10, Sigma Alpha Epsilon Upsilon 5, Alpha Gamma Rho 5 Upsilon 6, Alpha Tau Omexa 3 Upsilon 4, Alpha Gamma Sigma ock 22, Benton 8 ock 14, Seaton 11 • ock 24, Gus II 2 ock 24, Gus II 2 ock 25, Manatt 0 Colleges 16, Dbi 9 tion in the conference race . . but a dim chance for survival remains if a combination of things should take place during the rest College 6. Phi Epsilon Kappa 13 College 6. A Street 5. College 21, Pharmacy 2. College 11, Navy ROTC 3 Il Iowa State were to lose

Prentiss Lamont has the best earned run average for Iowa State

with a 1.35 figure. Gene Lafferty has a 3-0 pitching

record for the best mark on the Iowa State pitching staff.



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