

Tankmen, Matmen Go Into Full Slates

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The Cornhusker swimming and wrestling teams—the mermen and matmen if you prefer—can look forward to a lot of hard practice if they hope to improve or maintain last year's records.



The "grunt and groaners" last year placed last in the Big Seven and compiled a record of one win against seven losses, the only bright spot coming during the Lepley match against South Dakota State. Bill Smith, who has taken over the coaching reins from Don Strassheim, comments, in the typical pessimism of a coach, that "we'll be lucky to even beat South Dakota State again."

Smith laments the fact that even though the team has lettermen a every weigh but two, one of the numeral winners graduates in February, while one weight is lacking a contender completely. So far only 20 men are out for wrestling.

Lettermen on the team this year include Gil Nielsen, 123 pounds, a senior, who will graduate at the end of this semester; Ken McKee, 130 pounds, a junior; Gail Baum, 147 pounds, a junior; Narlin Cooper, 157 pounds, a junior; Bill Lafleur, 167 pounds, a senior; and Dan Brand, heavyweight, a senior, the only two year letterman.

Two sophomores, Pat Fitzgerald, 177 pounds and Ken Lott, 167 pounds are the only returning squad members. The 137 pound weight is open.

Outstanding freshman prospects include Harold Thompson, 130 pounds; Lee Bigelow, 157 pounds; Mike Tillotson, 156 pounds; and Bob Mesciji, 123 pounds.

The matmen open against Minnesota, last year's Big 10 champs, January 11.

The Huskers will forfeit 10 points for every weight not represented. Although the outlook for swim-

ming is not as dim, the loss of diving standouts Gene Cotter and Bill Tagney has hurt Hollie Lepley's team considerably.

Lepley is counting on a squad of six returning lettermen and 11 team members to improve on last year's record of six wins, four losses, one tie, a third place in a triangular meet and fourth place in the conference.

Lettermen are Charles Arizumi, backstroke, a junior; Carl Bodensteiner, freestyle, a senior; John Holeman, freestyle, a senior; Bill North, freestyle, a junior; Don Renfer, freestyle, a junior; and Doug Thorpe, freestyle, a senior. Squad members Joe Bonemeier, freestyle, a sophomore; Jerry Brown, breaststroke, a junior; Harvey Fair, backstroke, a junior; Harvey Fair, backstroke, a junior; John Griffiths, freestyle, a sophomore; Ernie Hoffke, freestyle, a junior; Ross McGlasson, breaststroke, a sophomore; Albert Arrigunaga, freestyle, a sophomore; Steve Miller, backstroke, a sophomore; and Bryce Johnson, freestyle, a sophomore.

The first match for Lepley's charges will be against the freshmen Saturday followed by a meet against Fort Hays College, Hays, Kansas, December 19.



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Not Me Ref

Willie Fitzpatrick (left) does a toe dance to avoid fouling South Dakota State's Harley Petersen in Coliseum action Monday night.

as Nebraska won their basketball opener 64-52. Gary Reimers in the background, appears apprehensive. Nebraska will play Wyoming at the Coliseum Thursday.

Winter IM Sports Schedule Begins; Basketball And Swimming Head Slate

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The winter schedules for I-M sports are swinging into action according to Ed Higginbotham, Intramural Director.

The I-M basketball season is now well underway with over 90 teams in the competition for the coveted crown.

One difficulty that has been occurring in the hardcourt contests is that the managers have not been placing first names on the scorebook thus constituting a forfeit by either or both of the teams.

Another I-M sport now raging is the swimming meet. The finals for this competition will be held tonight, the diving finals at 5 7 p.m.

All spectators watching this meet will be expected to watch from the balcony of the swimming pool. Enter the balcony from the Coliseum Stage.

Last year's champion for the meet was Pat Drake.

Another sport looming ahead on the intramural slate is that of handball which will begin around December 10th.

A team trophy will be awarded to the All-University champions on a point basis. Medals will be given to the individuals earning All-University honors.

Last year's winners were Steve Greenberg and Marshall Denenberg for doubles, George Fisk for singles, and Delta Upsilon for the team trophy.

The intramural wrestlers will take to the mats Tuesday for the preliminary matches. The entries for this sport are due this

Friday in the Intramural Office.

A contestant may enter only one class weight but an organization weight as they wish. There will be a team trophy to the Champions as well as medals to individual champions in each weight class.

All contestants must have a minimum of five practice sessions between the dates of Nov. 25 and Saturday on the varsity mats in the Coliseum Basement between the hours of three and six.

There will be eight weights this year as usual. The weight classes are as follows: 123 lbs., 130 lbs., 137 lbs., 147 lbs., 157 lbs., 167 lbs., 177 lbs., and Heavyweight. The matches will be governed by the National Intercollegiate Rules.

Last year's winners were Alpha Gamma Rho and Beta Theta Pi. The next sport on the list is that of the indoor track and field meet on Tuesday and the finals will be held on the 14th of this month.

Last year's trophy went to Ken Pollard for the individual honors while Sigma Chi garnered the All-University championship.

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Cornhusker Cagers Face Cowboys

Jerry Bush's Cornhusker cage charges, with an opening game victory under their belt, take on an inexperienced but competent Wyoming Cowboy team, Thursday on the Coliseum hard court. It will be the second contest for both clubs, the Cowboys having opened against Wichita last night.

Coach Everett Shelton, who has led Wyoming round ball teams for the last 20 years and has compiled a record of 373 wins against 174 losses, boasts two 6-1 standout guards in Tony Windis and Terry Eckhart.

Although the Cowboy's won only six games last year, Shelton expects help from a strong freshmen team. John Bertolero (6-4) is classed as an all-around player as well as a top defensive man. Don Hatten, 6-6 center is also expected to bolster his teams chances.

Two junior college graduates, Peter Hook (6-4), Gary, Indiana, who averaged 35 points a game in an AAU league, and Ron Bora (6-7), Santa Monica JC, who is a strong rebounder, should boost the bench strength.

"If my gang can overcome inexperience," Shelton says, "we could go all the way."

Sophomores Bob Mayo, Herschell Turner and Willie Fitzpatrick, standouts in Monday's game against South Dakota State, can expect to see plenty of action against Wyoming. Mayo and Fitzpatrick led the rebounding which was far from outstanding. Also leading the Husker attack in the opening game were Captain Gary Reimers whose calm playing kept the team together in the clutches, Don Smidt and Jim Arwood.

Game time for the non-conference contest will be 8:05 p.m. with a freshmen game slated for 6:15 p.m.

Boxing Tournament

February 12 has been set as the date for the Lincoln AAU Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament. The tournament will be held at the state fairgrounds. Winners in all weight classes will receive trophies and an opportunity to attend the Midwest Tournament in Omaha during March.

PR Smoker

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