

# Husker Hoopsters At Kansas State

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Sports Editor

Jerry Bush's Cornhusker basketball squad travels to Manhattan, Kansas Saturday to take part in Kansas State's initial Big Eight Conference game of the season.

The Huskers, 5-7 in all games and 0-1 in league play, will be tackling the same quintet that drubbed them 88-57 in the pre-season tourney in Kansas City.

While Nebraska was losing its conference opener to Missouri Monday night, 53-54, Kansas State was squeaking by Minnesota 72-71. Wildcat Coach Tex Winter called his squad's Monday night effort "probably some of the best basketball we have played this season."

The Wildcats are 10-1 on the season. The only loss being to Kansas 79-65 in the Kansas City tourney's final game.

**Lethal Duo**  
The Kansas State attack is paced by one of the two most lethal duets in the conference, Bob Boozer and Jack Parr. (The other is Kansas' Wilt Chamberlain and Ron Leseski.) Boozer is currently leading the Wildcat scorers with a 18.5 average. King is the number two man with a 13.0 average.

Other Kansas State starters will

be Hayden Abbott, Roy DeWitz and Don Matuszak.

In the 10 wins the Wildcats have picked up this season, three are over defending conference champions—Texas Western (Border conference), Indiana (co-champs of the Big Ten) and California (Pacific Coast conference)—and four Big Ten teams.

**Reimers Tops**  
Captain Gary Reimers, the top Husker scorer with a 13.0 point average, will direct the Nebraska attack against the highly touted Wildcats.

Herschell Turner will team with Reimers at the guard slots while Willie Fitzpatrick and Don Smidt will be at the forwards and Allen Graves at center.

Monday night the Huskers will be back in the Coliseum hosting the Oklahoma Sooners who recently defeated Kansas.

In 95 previous games with Kansas State, Nebraska has won 43. The Wildcats hold seven consecutive wins over the Huskers, counting the 80-57 decision taken in the semi-finals of the recent Kansas City tourney.

**Probable Starters**  
Kansas State: F (4-8) Fitzpatrick; G (6-5) Hayden Abbott; C (6-8) Allen Graves; G (6-5) Roy DeWitz; G (5-11) G. Reimers; Don Matuszak (4-0) G (6-2) H. Turner.  
Nebraska: F (6-4) Fitzpatrick; G (6-5) Don Smidt; C (6-8) Allen Graves; G (6-5) Roy DeWitz; G (5-11) G. Reimers; Don Matuszak (4-0) G (6-2) H. Turner.



Courtesy Lincoln Journal  
Graves . . . Husker center



Courtesy Sunday Journal and Star  
Parr . . . Wildcat Star

# Wrestler's Host Minnesota In Season's Home Opener

University of Minnesota's Big Ten wrestling champions will meet the Nebraska Cornhuskers here Saturday at 2 p.m. The matches will be held in the Coliseum. There will be no admission charge.

Dan Brand, undefeated in six matches this season, will go against Minnesota's Pete Veldman, in the heavyweight division in what should be one of the feature matches. Veldman, third in the Big Ten Conference at 177 pounds before entering service, returned to the Gopher campus and is now a heavyweight. He is 24 years old.

Richard Mueller, Minnesota's captain, was Ten and NCAA champion last year at 123 pounds. He was a three-time state high school champion, and is also a returnee from service. Mueller was named as an alternate to the 1956 Olympic squad.

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Dick Mueller	130	Ken McKee
Dick Waite	137	Kent Walton
Jim Reistieck	147	Gail Baum
Ron Baker	157	Ken Lott
Joseph Fadcock	167	Pat Fitzgerald
Bill Wright	177	Bill Lafleur
Pete Veldman	187	Jim Novotny
		Tan Brand

# Strictly Sportstalk . . .

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The announcement earlier this week of the retirement of George Kell from active participation in baseball brought back fond memories of one Sunday last year when I was privileged to accompany several members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes on their tour of the University and Lincoln Air Force Base.

In Lincoln with Kell were Bob Feller, formerly of the Cleveland Indians, Carl Erskine, of the Los Angeles Dodgers, Clendon Thomas and Billy Krisher, Oklahoma's great gridders and Bill Robinson, formerly of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

The group, as a whole, went out to the Air Base and spent a few hours talking with the servicemen and signing autographs for them. The athletes then split up into three groups and visited several of the religious houses on campus.

The impression that these athletes made on their audiences was tremendous. Those of you who heard them speak will remember how humble and sincere these men were when they spoke of their own particular religious beliefs. It made one stop and think.

**I-M Track Scheduled**  
Track fans are in for an evening of enjoyment next Tuesday when Ed Higgenbotham's Indoor Track Championships will be held in the Memorial Stadium track area.

Highlighting the Meet will be such "names" as Bob Knaub, Jerry Marples, Joe American Horse and Larry Fisher in addition to the best of the intramural track men.

In the qualifying heats, Knaub, entered in the independent field, won the 60-yard low hurdles, broad jump and qualified for the pole vault and high jump. He also ran the one-lap run in 30.1. Marples was the leading quart

# Garden Record

A Cincinnati University basketball player earned himself a coveted place in the record books of Madison Square Garden

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# Jayhawks In New Big Eight Role; In Last Place After First Week

Standings

W	L
Missouri	1
Oklahoma	1
Iowa State	1
Kansas State	1
Colorado	1
Nebraska	1
Kansas	1

Last place Kansas will be the only Big Eight club idle Saturday night as the conference teams finished their first week of loop competition.

League standings show Oklahoma and Missouri in first place by virtue of their wins over Kansas and Nebraska respectively. Iowa State and Colorado open Big Eight seasons Saturday night.

Iowa State will host front running Missouri at Ames. The "surprise" tag is placed on the Tigers because there was a decided tendency—even in Columbia—to look at 1958 as an off year for the likeable and capable Sparky Stalcup. He had graduated such stars as Lionel Smith, Bill Ross and had lost Chuck Duren on grades. This was the year that Stalcup wasn't going to scare anybody.

**Tigers Look Good**  
But the Tigers have looked real good thus far this season and have included Indiana, defending co-champion of the Big Ten among their victims. They defeated Nebraska 35-34 in their season opener.

The Cyclones, always a conference threat, have felt the loss of All-American Gary Thompson. Add to that the recent injury of John Crawford and you have a quietest that is a great deal weaker than Bill Stranzigan's 1957 club. Crawford's ankle is just about healed and he should be able to go at full speed against the Tigers.

The Oklahoma Sooners, whose upset of Kansas is currently the conversation piece of the league, will be at Boulder to help inaugurate Colorado's Big Eight season. Saturday's game will be a replay of the opening consolation round game in the Big Eight pre-season tournament.

In that one, the Sooners erased a 10-point second half deficit to edge the Buffs 53-52 on Center Joe King's follow shot with 11 seconds remaining. King, a deadly shooter from either the post or corner, could be the difference between the two teams again. Lack of scoring punch at center has been a major Colorado problem for the past two seasons. Coach Sox Walsech has elected to go with incumbent Don Walker again after experimenting in early season with 6-8 Jim Jochems, who can't get going following a knee operation, and 6-7 Matt Baskin who has been unable to settle down in his sophomore season.

**Walker Lacks Scoring**  
Walker averaged but nine points per game last year after taking

over when Jochems was injured and he's even lower thus far in 1958 at 6.8. He's been connecting at only a 23 percent clip but still gives the Buffs their most effective combination when he's on the post.

Gerry Schroeder is the team's leading scorer with a 13.8 average. Leo Hayward follows with

8.8 and has been the team's leading scorer in the last two wins with 21 against Princeton and 14 against Wyoming. The Buffs are 4-6 on the season.

In other Big Eight games, Oklahoma State, which doesn't enter official league competition until next season, is at Tulsa and Nebraska is at Kansas State.

# Rumors List Iowan As NU Job Candidate

Nebraska has reportedly offered an assistant football coaching position to LeRoy Pearce, an Iowa State aide.

A Des Moines paper said that Pearce has been offered a job to fill a vacancy created on the Nebraska staff by the recent resignation of Jack Landry, who resigned in order to take a position in private business.

Pearce has been aide under head coach Jim Myers of Iowa State. Myers is reportedly headed for a job at Texas A&M.

Nebraska Coach Bill Jennings said he has talked to Pearce "just as I have talked to several other coaches." But nothing is definite, he said.

The Nebraska head coach said that it has not yet been decided whether one or two assistants should be hired to the Husker staff. "We have talked about the possibility of two," he said.

# NU Mermen Travel To Lawrence

Nebraska's undefeated swimming team will attempt to make it two in a row when they journey to Lawrence, Kansas on Saturday to take on the Kansas Jayhawks in a dual meet.

Swimmers making the Kansas trip are: Carl Bodenstener, Joe Bonemeier, Harvey Fair, John Griffiths, Jerry Brown, John Holeman, Bryce Johnson, Bill North, Ernie Hoffke, Frank Tomson and Ron Renier.

Divers on the squad are Jim Pokorny and Doug Scott. The Huskers will be in action at home on Jan. 18 when they entertain Kansas State.

# Jayhawks Polite

LAWRENCE, Kan.—Kansas still is traveling below last year's 14.7 per game foul pace, which was good enough for fifth on final major college statistics. Going into Tuesday night's conference opener at Oklahoma, the Jayhawks are averaging only 10.9 infractions.

# Sooners To Begin Rebuilding Team; Wilkinson Loses Eight '57 Starters

NORMAN, Okla. — Meeting two bowl teams in the first three games next year, Coach Bud Wilkinson's Oklahoma football team loses eight starters off its Big Eight and Orange Bowl championship squad and will begin building new starting and alternate units when spring practice begins here February 25.

Coach Len Casanova's Oregon Webfoet, who distinguished themselves while losing 10-7 to Ohio State's Big Ten champs in the Rose Bowl, come to Norman October 4 for Oklahoma's second game.

Oklahoma clashes the following week with Coach Darrell Royal's Texas Steers, who lost the Sugar Bowl game to Mississippi. The game will be played October 11 in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas.

From the starting team that defeated Duke 48-21 in the Orange Bowl, Oklahoma loses three backs, RH Clendon Thomas, QB Carl Dodd and FB Dennis Morris, and five linemen, LE Don Stiller, LT Byron Searcy, LG Ken Northcutt, RG Bill Krisher and RT Doyle Jennings. LG Joe Oujesky of the alternates also graduates.

Of the 44 Sooners who played against Duke, the following return: LE—Ross Coyle (2nd team), Mickey Jackson (3), Dick Evans (4). LT—Jerry Thompson (2), Gilmer Lewis (3), Ben Wells (4).

LG—Dick Gwinn (3), B. W. Scott (4).  
C—Bob Harrison (1), Jim Davis (2), Jerry Payne (3), Mickey Johnson (4).  
RG—Dick Corbitt (2), Billy Jack Moore (3), Lesier Bradley (4).  
FT—Jim Lawrence (2), Cloyd Shilling (3), Bob Morford (4).  
RE—Joe Rector (1), Steve Jennings (2), Jere Durham (3), Bill Levonitus (4).  
QB—David Baker (2), Bennett Watts (3).  
LH—Jackie Sandifer (1), Bobby Boyd (2), Prentice Gault (3), Jackie Holt (4).  
RH—Brewster Hobby (2), Dick

Carpenter (3), John Pellow (4).  
FB—David Rolle (2), Wahoo McDaniel (3), Glenn Sears (4).  
Freshmen will work with the varsity in spring practice. Coached by Port Robertson and Norman McNabb, the Sooners lost 14-19 to Tulsa's yearlings here but defeated Oklahoma State 14-0 at Stillwater.

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