

# Gardner Performance Leads Nebraska Past Oklahoma

## Fine Performances Feature Home Meet As Huskers Remain Unbeaten

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A crowd of nearly 1900 packed Memorial Stadium indoor track Saturday afternoon, and they were treated to perhaps the greatest exhibition of track ever put on by a Nebraska team.

The Husker cindermen beat Oklahoma by a 54-23 to 49-13 count in what turned out to be a record shattering type meet. The Huskers showed some dazzling team effort but Keith Gardner stole the spotlight.

Gardner, a seemingly infallible chap, put on one of the greatest demonstrations by any one individual in this institution's track history.

In addition to unofficially tying two world records, Gardner broke one stadium record, two meet records and maintained his undefeated record on Nebraska's indoor track.

There were other equally good performances by members of both squads. Joe Mullins, Knolly Barnes, Keith Young, and Capt. Bill Hawkins turned in some top notch performances and showed that they will be rough customers to contend with come the Big 8 indoor finals.

Larry Neely, George Church, and Gail Hodgson were standouts for Oklahoma. Hodgson, who was very impressive in the long races with his long, smooth, strides and unflinching pace, set two meet records and one stadium record.

The first record of the afternoon occurred in the shot put. Oklahoma's Church heaved the iron ball 53'7 1/2" for a new stadium and meet record.

Considerable tension and excitement mounted as time drew near for the mile run, which was supposed to be one of the feature events of the day. Everyone anticipated a terrific duel between Hodgson and Mullins.

A close race didn't materialize. Hodgson took over the lead from Nebraska's Marples at the fourth lap and from then on Mullins was unable to catch him. Hodgson won by nearly 40 yards over Mullins who was hampered by a sore ankle. The time was 4:15.3, a new meet and stadium record.

Next came the 60 yard dash. More tension mounted as Nebraska's highly touted Keith Gardner was expected to lock up in a tight duel with Oklahoma's Dee Givens. Gardner, the colorful and ever confident Jamaican, proceeded to tie, unofficially, the world's indoor record. Keith got off to a lightning fast start and he was pushed all the way by Givens. Gardner's time of 6:1 also tied the stadium record and set a new meet record.

The next record breaking performance was again by Gardner. Keith skimmed the 60 yard high hurdles in 7.3 to set a new meet and stadium record. Keith Young and Bill Marten finished right behind to provide the meet's only slam of the afternoon.

Mullins Comes Back

The most thrilling race of the day was the 880 yard run. Oklahoma's highly touted Gary Parr was expected to push Nebraska's



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Knolly Barnes to a new meet record. Joe Mullins, who earlier had finished a dismal second to Hodgson in the mile, came back with a vengeance in this shorter race.

Parr led the first two laps but then Canadian Joe began to pour on the steam. Joe passed Parr and teammate Barnes and then he cut to the inside at the start of the southwest turn. Barnes passed Parr at the beginning of the back stretch and then the race was all between Mullins and Barnes. Mullins won with a record breaking time of 1:56.2; but Barnes was only two steps behind for a 1:56.6 clocking.

Another new meet and stadium record was set in the grueling two mile race when Oklahoma's Hodgson won in 9:35.3. Here again he showed his enormous amount

### How They Scored

TRACK EVENTS			
	NU	OU	
60-yard dash	4	3	
100-yard run	4	1	
200-yard run	4	1	
Mile run	4	1	
Two-mile run	3	0	
60-yard low hurdles	3	0	
60-yard high hurdles	3	0	
Mile relay	0	5	
Totals	42	36	

FIELD EVENTS			
	NU	OU	
Shot put	1	1	
Broad jump	1	1	
Pole vault	3	4	6%
High jump	1	1	
Totals	10%	23%	

SUMMARY			
	NU	OU	
Track Events	42	36	
Field Events	10%	23%	
Grand Totals	54%	49%	



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of endurance in beating Nebraska's Elwood by nearly half a lap.  
**Final Record**

The final record of the afternoon was again set by Gardner. Keith turned in his second unofficial tying of a world mark when he won the 60 yard low hurdles in 6.8. It is interesting to note that Harrison Dillard another Jamaican, holds the World indoor record for this event along with Gartiser, former Missouri star.

In the broad jump, Bill Hawkins performed brilliantly. On his first jump he marked off 23'2 and after that he was consistently around 23 all afternoon long. Keith Young, Husker transfer and Gardner's shadow, also looked great. Young pushed Gardner to his record performances in the hurdles and he finished only one step behind Givens in the 60 yard dash.

### Main Feature Clock

Stuart: "Day of the Badman," 1:35, 3:35, 5:38, 7:38, 9:40.  
Lincoln: "The Safecracker," 1:25, 3:25, 5:25, 7:30, 9:30.  
Nebraska: "The Lawless Breed," 1:20, 4:39, 7:58, "Man Without A Star," 2:54, 6:13, 9:32.  
Varsity: "The Missouri Traveler," 1:26, 3:25, 5:24, 7:23, 9:22.  
State: "Bayou," 1:17, 4:31, 7:45, "Escapade In Japan," 2:45, 5:59, 9:13.  
Joyo: "Les Girls," 6:08, 9:20, "Hired Gun," 8:10.  
Capitol: "Shoot Out at Medicine Bend," 8:00, "Crime In The Streets," 6:25, 9:40.  
84th & O: "Cartoons," 7:15, "Hired Gun," 7:30, 10:20, "Jailhouse Rock," 8:45.

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## Colorado Hoopsters Visit Coliseum Tonight

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The Buffalos from Colorado invade the Coliseum Monday night at 8 p.m. Currently in the throes of a losing season after last year's fine 14-9 record, the Buffs will also have to combat the spirit produced on Nebraska's home court. When the Colorado team came to Lincoln last year, they ran up against

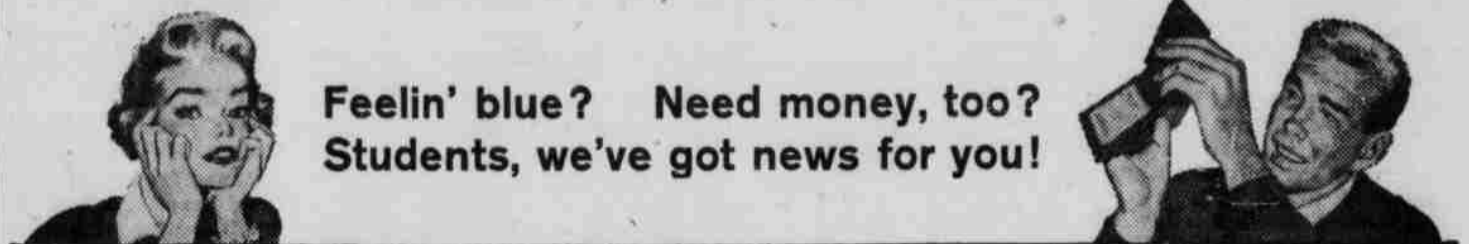
a red hot Husker team and were swamped 74-52. Colorado lost several top men through graduation and are thinking of building this year. Jim Jochems, 6'8" center, is the heavy scorer in the Buffalo attack. Although slowed in the early part of the season with a leg injury, Jochems seems to have hit his stride in Colorado's upset of Iowa

State, 45-36, Jan. 20. Forward Leo Hayward and guard Gerry Schroeder have also contributed much to the Colorado scoring punch.

At the start of the season Sox Walseth, head coach of the Buffalos, stated that the Big Eight will be a real good conference and that Colorado would spring a surprise or two somewhere along the way. Kansas ran into one of these sur-

prises February 10 when the Buffs used a folding zone on Wilt Chamberlain and held him to 6 points. The Kansas power held true though they eased past the Buffs, 50-41. The loss left Colorado in the Big Eight cellar with one win and six defeats.

Nebraska will meet its chief obstacle against the Buffs which is height.



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