

NEBRASKAN SPORTS

Eager Huskers Host Texas Tech Red Raiders Tonight

Bushmen After Fourth Win Following Gopher Loss

Okla St To Throw Two NCAA Champs At Husker Grapplers

Nebraska Faces Oklahoma State Thursday Night

NCAA Team Champion... Ten returning lettermen... Two NCAA individual champions.

That is what Coach Bill Smith's Nebraska wrestling team is up against in their opening meet of the season, Thursday, when the Oklahoma State grapplers come to Lincoln.

Two NCAA Champs Headed by Dick Beattie and Duane Murty, NCAA champions last year, Coach Myron Broderick's Cowboys should get off to a good start against the inexperienced Husker grapplers.

Only four Husker lettermen are slated as probable entries in the 7:30 p.m. match Thursday. They are Marlen Luff (123), Ken McKee, (137) and Norlin Cooper, (167) and Gail Baum (147).

(Seeing their first varsity competition will be: Dennis Aten (130), Lee Bigelow (157) and Pat Fitzgerald (177).

Edged Out Letterman Kent Walton has been edged out of opening matches by McKee.

Another letterman, Ken Lott, (177) is on the injury list for the opener.

OSU, on the other hand, will have lettermen at every weight except the 177-pound class. That is their weak position, "if they have a weak one," Smith said.

The Huskers have no heavyweight candidate Smith said. Cowboy Coach Roderick, starting his third year as Cowboy wrestling mentor, is a former three-time NCAA champion. Roderick will have five grapplers, other than Beattie and Murty, who placed either

second or third in last year's NCAA championships at the U. of Wyoming.

That brought the number of OSU NCAA champions to 20, out of the 27 years that the NCAA Championships have been held.

The Cowboys have won 67 individual NCAA championships in that period. 224 Wins The Cowboys sport a 224 win-14 loss-10 record in dual competition since the sport was inaugurated at Stillwater in 1916. They once compiled 70 straight wins in dual meet competition, and have had only one losing season in 43 years. Probable start-

Coach Smith has tentatively scheduled a 6-match Freshman intra-squad meet before the varsity meet Thursday. The intra-squad meet probably will start at 6:30 p.m., Smith said.

By Randall Lambert Nebraska and Texas Tech, two formerly undefeated teams, will try to get on the winning trail again when tangle at the Coliseum tonight at 8:05. Nebraska was beaten Saturday night 78-57 by Minnesota and the Texans were beaten by the Iowa Hawkeyes after leading the Hawks 37-36 at the half.

The Red Raiders of Texas Tech, who bowed to the Huskers 69-63 in an overtime three years ago, are regarded as one of the teams to beat in the Southwest Conference. Last year the Raiders finished in third place only a game out of first.

Starting Lineups Nebraska Albert Maxey (6-3) f..... (6-4) Gene Arrington Jim Kowalke (6-3) f..... (6-6) Leon Hill Bob Harry (6-6) c..... (6-9) Pat Noakes Herschel Turner (6-2) g..... (5-10) Gerald Myers Wayne Hester (6-2) g..... (6-2) Charlie Lynch

This season the Texans had whipped three straight opponents before falling before Iowa. One of their wins was over Oklahoma on the Sooners home court by a 73-64 count. The Sooners beat Minnesota at Minneapolis 52-45 last Thursday night.

Seven Return The Texas team has seven returning alternate starters back from a team that compiled a 15-8 record last year. Add to this 6-9 sophomore Harold Hudgens and you have a strong combination able to go with the best.

Backcourt the Red Raiders are quarterbacked by Gerald Myers, an all-conference choice last season. Teamed with Myers is Charlie Lynch, who against Iowa hit 14 points.

The post is manned by Pat Noakes, a junior who was hampered somewhat by injuries last season. Noakes, who is 6-9, will be backed up by Hudgens.

Leading Scorer The front court men are Gene Arrington and Leon Hill. Hill, who stands 6-6, was also an all-conference choice last year. He led the team in scoring with a 16.8 average and rebounds last year. Arrington, who stretches the tape at 6-4, started the season slow last year, but came along fast towards the end. Arrington was high scorer against Iowa with 20 points.

The Texas Tech team shoots real well and is tough

on the boards, but they lack outstanding speed.

Saturday Night Box NEBRASKA MINNESOTA Maxey 6-2-11 Benson 6-2-14 Kowalke 2-4-10 Johnson 7-3-17 Cahill 2-2-5 Erickson 3-0-5 Shipwright 1-3-3 Lehman 2-1-1 Harry 2-2-4 Skadefland 2-0-4 Swank 2-1-1 Jeppesen 2-0-4 Turner 2-7-9 Butler 2-0-4 Hester 1-1-1 Griffin 0-0-0 Lundholm 1-0-0 Re Johnson 3-3-0 Wallin 0-0-0 Thiborg 0-0-0 Hazen 0-0-0 Miller 2-2-8 Totals 30 17-53 37 Totals 33 19-54 78 Neb. 30 17-53 37 Minn. 33 19-54 78

Big 8 Standings Kansas State 4 0 1,000 Colorado 3 1 750 NEBRASKA 2 1 750 Oklahoma State 2 1 750 Iowa State 2 2 500 Missouri 2 2 500 Oklahoma U. 2 2 500 Kansas 1 2 400

Gymnasts Win Triangular Husker gymnasts, led by double winners Charles Ellis and Phillip Hall, copped blue ribbons in 6 of 7 events to win a triangular meet with Colorado and Ft. Hays Teachers. They also beat the two schools in dual competition Saturday, at Hays Kansas.

Triangular scoring was Nebraska 80%, Colorado 54%, and Ft. Hays 19. Dual scoring went Nebraska 72, Ft. Hays 30 and Nebraska 66%, Colorado 45%, Colorado beat Ft. Hays 81-51. On Jan. 16, the Huskers will travel to Manhattan for a triangular - double dual against Kansas State and Colorado State.

Free exercise—1, Charles Ellis (N); 2, Phillip Hall (N); 3, John Delaney (C). Trampoline—1, Phillip Hall (N); 2, Mike Langley (F.H.); 3, Ron Hillier (F.H.). Horse—1, Carl Byers (N); 2, Ken Kohler (N); 3, Bernie Lombardi (C). Horizontal bars—1, Charles Ellis (N); 2, Charles Naylor (C); 3, Paul Johnson (C). Parallel bars—1, Phillip Hall (N); 2, Paul Johnson (C); 3, Charles Ellis (N). Floor exercise—1, Paul Johnson (C); 2, for 2nd between Charles Naylor (C) and Phillip Hall (N). Tumbling—1, Larry Brown (N); 2, Phillip Hall (N); 3, Charles Ellis (N).

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Basketball Big 8 Minnesota 78 NEBRASKA 57 Indiana 87 Missouri 72 Kan. St. 53 San Francisco 52 UCLA 65 Iowa State 53 Colorado 52 Air Force 44 Big 10 Wisconsin 56 Notre Dame 54 Purdue 83 Evansville 82 Iowa 75 Tex. Tech 73 Illinois 85 COP 67 Ohio St. 81 Butler 69

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Swimmers Win Second In Row

By Tom Davies The Husker swimmers snagged their second straight victory of the season Saturday by swamping the Creighton University tankmen 75-11. The Cornhuskers swept the meet in points by taking every first place and all but one second place.

The victory-hungry Huskers also swam for two more Nebr. records, 400-yard medley relay members: Jack Fair, Joe Stocker, Larry McClean, and Roger Bosveld combined to break the Nebr. record in this event by more than five seconds. Stocker came back later to post a new mark of 2:39.5 in the 200-yard breast-stroke. These two new records make a total of four records that the Huskers have broken in their first two outings.

Husker sophomores again carried the load this week. All eight of the individual events were won by sophomores, and the record-breaking medley relay was composed entirely of sophomores.

Nebraska will see action again on Jan. 10 against Kansas in the Coliseum pool. Coach Lepley has scheduled a Freshman-Varsity meet for Dec. 18 in order to keep the team in shape.

400-yard medley relay—1, Jack Fair, Joe Stocker, Larry McClean, Roger Bosveld, 4:30.6. 200-yard free style—1, Dale Vosa, Creighton, 2:31. 300-yard free style—1, Joe Gausman, Neb.; 2, Robin Snider, Neb.; 3, Jerry Sera, Creighton, 2:43.5. 100-yard free style—1, Roger Bosveld, Neb.; 2, Bruce Johnson, Neb.; 3, Jack Crail, Creighton, 1:59.9. 200-yard breaststroke—1, Homer Corn, Neb.; 2, Frank Dimson, Neb.; 3, Frank Forarty, Creighton, 2:28.4. 400-yard free style—1, Dale Vosa, Neb.; 2, Bill Norris, Neb.; 3, Bob Cooklin, Creighton, 5:34.5. 200-yard breaststroke—1, Joe Stocker, Neb.; 2, Ron Bucklin, Neb.; 3, Jerry Verlyte, Creighton, 2:38.5. 400-yard free style relay—1, Robin Snider, Bruce Johnson, Branch Walton, Joe Gausman, Neb. 4:06.1.

However, since then things have turned for the better. The Coloradans returned to their home court to whip Washington twice. The Buffs were extended into overtime in both contests as they won 60-53 and 59-51. Washington is figured to be the team to beat on the Pacific Coast.

They continued their winning ways as they walked over Montana, who was also beaten by Nebraska, and beat a good Air Force team, 52-44, Saturday night.

Good Mileage Coach Sox Walseth got excellent mileage last weekend from his Buffs who parlayed a scrappy man-for-man defense and effective fast breaking for the double win

Big Eight Roundup— Buffs Continue To Surprise In Non Conference Contests

Colorado, lightly regarded at the beginning of the season has been one of the surprises in the Big Eight.

Although Coach Sox Walseth figured this year's team to be better than last years, he didn't think they would rise to the heights they have thus far.

Soph Quits Much of the teams success was figured to be carried by 6-9 sophomore center Bill Wraga. Practice had barely started when Wraga dropped out of school. To put the frosting on the cake, the Buffs lost their first game to the Iowa Hawkeyes 87-46.

Walseth Says "We know we're not the greatest shooters in the world," he comments. "But we also know that we can play good defense and that we can run and we can battle. We're not going to worry about shooting percentages. We'll concentrate on keeping

the defensive pressure on a team and running as much as we can. This team is running its offense well and playing that defense real tight. I'm very well pleased at the way they've started."

Surprise of the Buffs thus far has been the play of junior Guard Russ Lind, the ringleader in the team's harrying defense and a good man on a fast break. Lind scrambled for five points in the overtime period to lead the initial win over Washington, led an early assault which sacked up the second triumph over the Huskies, then led Buff scorers with 12 against Montana. He was a non-lettering squad member a year ago as a sophomore but took over a starting job after the first Huskie game.

Guard Gerry Schroeder is off to his finest scoring start in three years as a regular with 68 points not counting the AF game highlighted by a 27-point Saturday game against Washington.

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