

NEBRASKAN SPORTS

Cornshucks

by Larry Novicki

Just returned from the Land of Sky Blue Waters where I had the opportunity to watch the Minnesota-Nebraska basketball game. In my opinion, contrary to the opinions of several people I have talked to since returning, the Huskers did not get trounced as badly as the score indicated. The Gophers were big (three starters 6-7 or over) and they were pretty hot (40 per cent from the field).

I personally believe that the officials blew their whistles a bit hastily on several occasions. Three times they called Herschel Turner for traveling when he was going through his usual faking routines. Hersch finally got disgusted and refrained from all such attempts. In essence, the boys in black and white bogged the Huskers' main offensive threat.

The Gophers were big and good, but under different circumstances, Nebraska could probably grind them into the maple.

Gopher Troubles

Minnesota is having a big hassle over athletics. The varsity "M" club voted their disapproval of football mentor Wes Fesler, basketball Coach Ozzie Cowles, and athletic director Ike Armstrong. When Coach Cowles was introduced at the game the other night, he was loudly

booed by the some 5,000 fans who were gathered in the mammoth Williams Arena. Several students I talked to said that the same disgruntled feeling has been shown for Fesler, who has been charged with favoritism and incompetence.

All in all it appeared that the administration is pointing toward a deemphasis of athletics at the huge Western Conference school. The administration indicated their confidence in Fesler, Cowles and Armstrong, but due to alumni and student pressures were forced to appoint what they termed a "common sense" committee to investigate the situation regarding the athletic program.

From what I gathered from the Minneapolis Tribune and from heresay about the campus, the Minnesota president hopes to "go Ivy," i.e., he things that a school can get along without athletics much as the Ivy League schools have done.

I don't think he'll succeed in his attempts. All that will happen is that the whole program up there will go to the dogs and take the University with it.

A few interesting things I noticed about the University of Minnesota made me glad I'm going to Nebraska. Everything is big. There are

some 25,000 students enrolled in the school. Only about seven per cent of the students are members of sororities or fraternities. The main reason for this is that a great portion of the student body resides in the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area. The whole Greek system is weak.

Lost Students

Things are so big up there that many students do not know where various parts of the campus are. We asked several people the location of a couple fraternities and they did not know the information. We also asked for the location of the ROTC and Biochem buildings, and we couldn't get the dope.

The campus itself was big and bulky. Buildings were old and ugly and tightly crammed together. Williams Arena, where the game was played, is supposedly the largest indoor arena in the world. It has seating capacity of 21,000 for basketball, and that only includes about two thirds of the building. An ice arena takes care of the rest of the ponderous structure.

The football stadium is a 3-quarter bowl and must seat around 60,000. The Field House is about twice as large as ours is.

Student Support

The question is: What are they going to do with all these giant athletic facilities if they deemphasize sports?

Of the 5,000 fans on hand at the game the other night, there must have been only a few hundred students. Students did not all sit in one body and cheer for the team like they do down here.

They did have cheerleaders but the fans did not make a wholehearted effort to assist them in the four cheers they attempted.

Weather

It's pretty nice down here, and it's warm. Up there the temperature never got above three degrees, during the whole weekend. Saturday morning the mercury dipped to minus 15 degrees.

I'm supposed to be writing intramurals, but when I got back and read a few of the papers around here, it was apparent to me that there not many reporters from Nebraska in attendance at the game. So I decided to throw in my two-bit scoop.

Husker Machine Grinds Out 54-46 Win Over Texas Tech

Texan's Man-to-Man Defense Proves Troublesome

By Randall Lambert
Nebraska, triggered by the shooting of Albert Maxey and the post play of Herschel Turner, swept past Texas Tech 54-46.

After leading 35-23 at the half, the Huskers shot to a 44-27 lead before the frigid Texans hit a field goal with 10:04 gone in the second stanza.

Rally

From there the Red Raiders began a rally that picked up momentum and lasted up to the final gun.

With the Husker leading 50-35 with a little less than four minutes left, Texas Tech began a climb behind a free throw by Leon Hill, a long set shot by Sid Seligmann, and a lay up by Gerald Myers after he had stolen the ball as the Huskers brought it from out of bounds.

Wayne Hester quelled the Raider outburst with two lay ups, the latter stemming from a beautiful bit of ball handling and passing by Hersch Turner on the post.

Comeback Again

However, the boys from down Rio Grande way weren't finished. With 1:09 left and being down 54-40, Charlie Keys, a fine defensive guard hit a long jump shot.

There was one second left when Texas Tech scored an unbelievable four points. First, Keys made both of his free throws on a 1-1 free throw situation. With the clock stopped Nebraska took the ball out-of-bounds. A long pass downcourt failed to touch anyone and the ball went out. Since someone in-bounds has to touch the ball before the clock starts, there was still a second left.

The ball was awarded to Texas Tech under the Nebraska goal where it had been originally passed in. The ball was flipped to Leon Hill, 6-6 forward, who missed a jump shot from the corner, but was fouled. Amid several hundred jeering spectators standing around the keyhole, he swished the two charity tosses.

Maxey High

Albert Maxey was again the high scorer among the Huskers with 16 points, 11 coming in the first half.

Leon Hill, high scorer last season for the Red Raiders, led the Texans with 11 markers.

Genial Texas Tech Coach, Polk Robison, had high praise for the Huskers. "Nebraska

The intramural track meet gets underway this week. It looks like the Phi Deltas will be able to successfully defend their team title. The '57 champs won the fall meet rather handily, and their point-getters from last year have returned. Nels Kjeldsen, who gained individual honors in last year's meet will also be back to defend this title.

Handball gets into swing this week too. Here again the defending champs are favored to retain their crown. Delta Upsilon, led by rangy George Fisk, should romp to another victory. Fisk has won the singles title for three consecutive years. His doubles partner from last year has graduated, but he has an adequate replacement in Myron Papadakis, who at times shows the excellence of the smooth Fisk.

Enough is enough. I've got to hurry off to watch my first intramural hockey game. I understand that some of these hockey teams have possibilities of shaping up into pretty good clubs when they gain a little experience and finesse.

Without further ado, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year fans.

Grad Christmas Party

The Graduate Club will hold a Christmas party Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the Union faculty lounge.

The party will feature entertainment and refreshments. All graduate students, faculty members and their guests are welcome.

There is no admission charge.

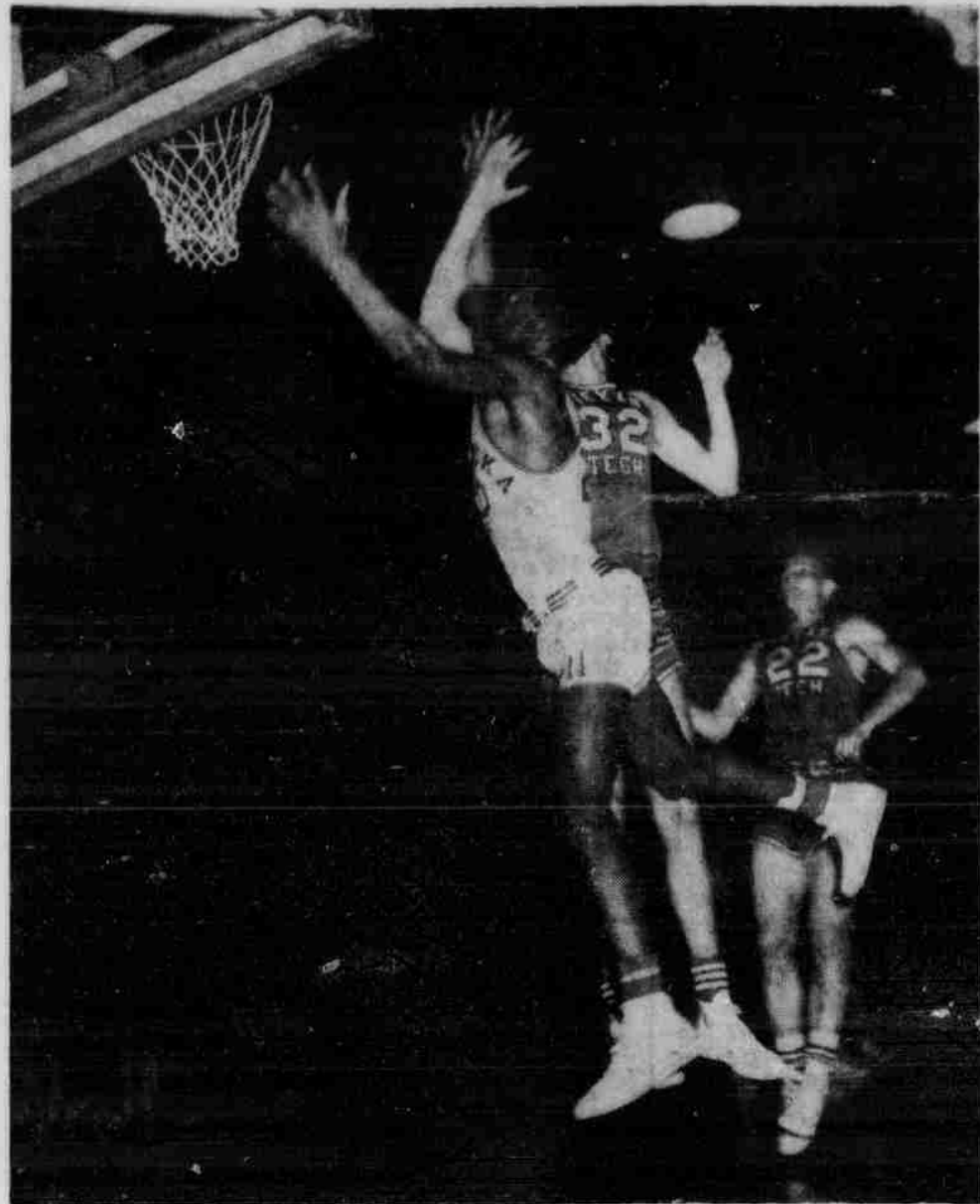
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Albert Maxey is fouled by 6-6 Leon Hill as he attempts to lay in the ball after driving in for shot.

has a fine, scrappy outfit and showed they had been well coached by Jerry Bush," said Robison. "We have no alibis, we were off our regular game, but the Nebraska defense had a lot to do with that." He went on to say that Nebraska also had some fine individuals, especially Herschel Turner who worked well off the post. When asked whether Turner's passing antics bothered Tech, he replied, "I wouldn't exactly call the antics so troublesome, but it was the fact that he is a fine all-round player who we had to defend tightly. He rebounds well, passes well, and we knew he shot well. He was exceptional against the height he was defended by."

Intramural Basketball

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League 1 - A	
Phi Delta Theta	3-0
Sigma Phi Epsilon	2-1
Alpha Tau Omega	2-1
Delta Upsilon	2-2
Beta Theta Pi	1-2
Sigma Chi	1-3
Phi Kappa Psi	0-3
League 2 - A	
Sigma Nu	4-0
Alpha Gamma Rho	3-0
Phi Gamma Delta	2-1
Theta Chi	2-2
Kappa Sigma	1-3
League 3 - A	
Alpha Gamma Sigma	3-0
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	3-1
Acacia	2-2
Pioneer Co-op	2-2
Cornhusker Co-op	2-2
Pi Kappa Phi	1-3
Delta Sigma Phi	1-3
Theta Chi	0-4
League 4 - A	
Acacia	3-1
Pioneer Co-op	3-1
Cornhusker Co-op	3-1
Pi Kappa Phi	2-2
Delta Sigma Phi	2-2
Theta Chi	0-4
League 5 - A	
Gus II	2-0
Hickcock	2-1
Gus I	1-1
Canfield	1-1
Benton	0-4
League 6 - A	
Seaton I	3-0
MacLean	3-0
Seaton II	1-2
Andrews	1-2
Burnett	0-3
League 7 - A	
Manatt	2-1
Bessy	1-1
Roucher	1-1
Avery	0-2
League 8 - Burr Hall - A	
Van Es	3-1
Kieselbach	2-1
Godling	2-1
Smith	0-4
Totals 17 12-16 46	
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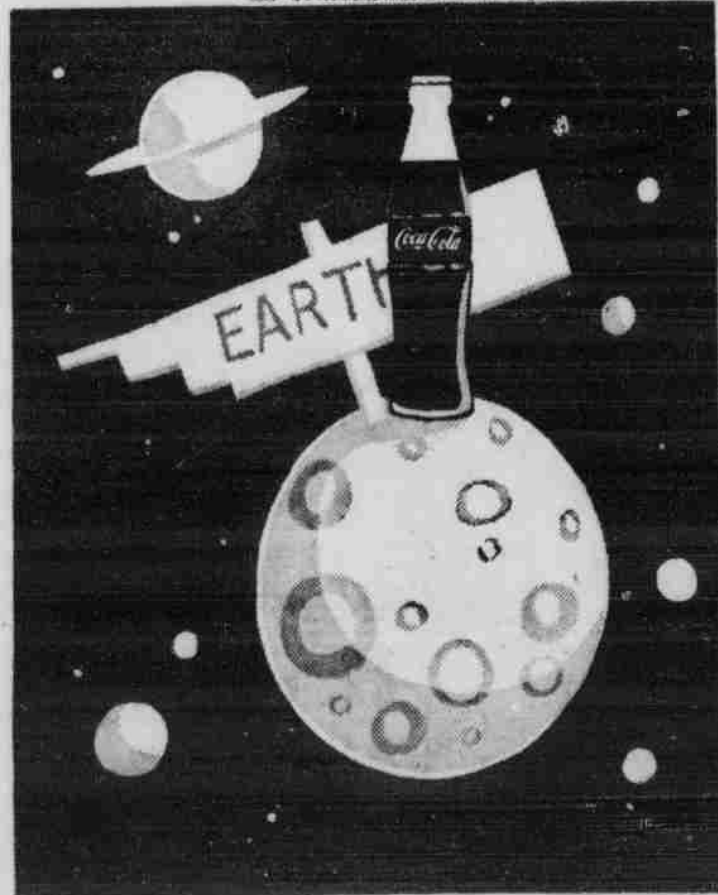
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League 9	
Phi Epsilon Kappa	2-0
Chemists	2-0
Phi Delta Phi	2-2
Navy ROTC	1-2
Geographers	2-2
Physics Department	0-2
Dental College	0-2
League 10	
The Scholars	3-0
Wenley House	3-1
M Street	3-1
Newman Club	2-1
Phi Alpha Delta	0-1
Alpha Tau Alpha	0-1
Road Runners	0-2
Southiders	0-2
Economists	0-0

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