

Nebraskan Picks All-University '5'

Two Navy Cagers On Top IM Quintet

By Cloyd Clark
 "I may have to retire soon," were the words of Bob Prokop as he accepted the Daily Nebraskan all-University basketball award for the sixth consecutive year.

The 6-7 Kappa Sigma center is the only returnee to the team this year. Dean Prazak of Navy, Dick Muma of Gus I, Monte Kiffin of Gus II and Mike Stacey of Navy complete the all-University quintet.

Kiffin, Stacey and Prokop should be able to handle the board control department of the team while Prazak and Muma set up the plays and take pot shots from the outside.

"Porkey" Prokop seems to be a good luck omen for the team on which he plays. The Kappa Sigs have now won two all-University titles and the Chemists, his earlier team won three all-University titles with Prokop at the helm.

The Kappa Sigs weren't the only team to possess the 6-7, 230-pounder from Wilber this year. He also played on the Diamond Bar and Grill team in the city league, Behlen's AAU squad and the Dents.

Honorary Dent
 Prokop was only an honorary Dent for the freshmen basketball games. He gained honorary status by teaching a Bio-Chem course in the Dent College.

Independent champion Navy garnered two spots on the all-University five with playmaker Prazak and scorer-rebounder Stacey.

The mechanical engineering junior from Clarkson set up the scoring for the Navy team in its long 30-game season and Prazak could be counted on to score his share especially when Stacey was having an off night.

His first year at the University Prazak played freshman basketball. As a sophomore he competed with Jerry Bush's cagers in varsity competition.



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Top IM Cagers

Pos.	Name	Ht.	Year
F	Monte Kiffin, Gus II	6-3	Jr.
F	Mike Stacey, Navy	6-3	Soph.
C	Bob Prokop, Kappa Sigma	6-7	Grad.
G	Dick Muma, Gus I	6-2	Soph.
G	Dean Prazak, Navy	5-11	Jr.

Stocker Ready For NCAA Meet

Joe Stocker, Omaha senior, will represent Nebraska in the NCAA swimming championships at Seattle, Wash., this week end.

Stocker, holder of the Nebraska varsity records in the 100 and 200-yard breast stroke and in the individual medley, will be entered in these events in the nationals.

3 NU Grapplers To Vie in NCAA

Harold Thompson, Nebraska's 157-pound wrestler, Jim Raschke, a heavyweight, and Mike Nissen in the 123-pound class, will compete in the NCAA championships at Corvallis, Ore., Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Sports Signals

By Hal Brown

When the original Damn Yankee play was presented on Broadway, it was far from reality in one basic aspect, but this is even further away today as Kosmet Klub prepares for their spring show featuring the same play.

The Broadway hit, which will be presented April 15 at Pershing Auditorium, was adapted from a book entitled, "The Year The Yankees Lost The Pennant." According to the play the team that defeated the Yankees was the Washington Senators.

The Senators were one of the doormats of the American League when the play was originally presented and they are in even worse shape now if that is possible.

This year's Senator team is composed of castoffs from other American League clubs. This situation came about when the American League moguls decided to expand the circuit. The original Senators were moved to Minneapolis-St. Paul and new teams created in Washington and Los Angeles.

To stock these teams, each of the other teams gave up some players at the rate of \$75,000 each. If the old saying, "Washington is first in war, first in peace and last in the American League," was ever true it is sure to be accurate this year.

This may have little to do with the Damn Yankees, but it is quite appropriate that the play involves two teams that are at opposite ends of the baseball ladder. While the Senators should finish last this year in the flag chase, the Yankees should also win the pennant again.

This arrangement makes the play attractive to the American way of life where the underdog comes up and bites the leader. It captures the imagination of the average audience and even though they know it can't happen in reality, it gives them a feeling of joy for the underdog Senators. A feeling of joy, that is, unless you happen to be a Yankee fan.

The scheduling of the play is also quite appropriate since the baseball season opens the same week that the play is presented here.

Damn Yankees could easily turn out to be the most successful presentation ever staged by Kosmet Klub.

Baseball coach Tony Sharpe has nine players, who had averages of six or better scholastically last semester, on his baseball roster. This would indicate that although Nebraska may not have the best baseball team in Husker history, it is probably the smartest.

Even so, we'll bet they still miss a few signs from Tony on the bench.

When Missouri football coach Dan Devine returned from a coaching clinic on the East Coast, he brought a book that had been presented to him. "It won't be a best-seller, but it might get a few laughs," Devine remarked.

The hard-bound book was entitled, "What I Know About Football"—by Daniel Devine. It contained some 350 pages—all of them blank.

Who gave Devine the book? Without batting an eyelash, Devine replied, "The Kansas Alumni Association." It was Kansas that prevented Missouri from achieving an undefeated season last fall when the Jayhawks downed the Tigers in the final game of the season. Kansas then had to forfeit the contest for using an ineligible player.



Brown

Stronger Cinderemen Dependent on Sophs

By Jan Sack
 "The Nebraska track team should be slightly stronger for the outdoor schedule," said Coach Frank Sevigne. The main strength of the team will come from the talented sophomores.

The team composed of 19 squad members has nine sophomores, five juniors and five seniors. Seven of the 19 are returning lettermen.

The Husker middle distance crew will be stronger with the elimination of the 600 and 1000-yard events. The Nebraska cindermen will be able to concentrate on the 440, 880, and mile.

Bill Kenny, outstanding sophomore in the 1000, will be concentrating on the 880. Last year as a frosh Kenny turned in a 1:55.7 for the half mile.

In the mile event Ray Stevens, also a soph, will give the Huskers a boost. Stevens ran the indoor mile in 4:15.5 and may be able to equal that outdoors. His frosh mark was 4:20.8. Paul Nielsen and Clarence Scott will provide depth in the mile and two-mile events.

Depth in Weights
 In the discus and javelin

the Huskers are fairly well equipped with Al Wellman and Larry Reiners in the discus and Al Roots in the javelin. Roots has thrown the spear 222 feet. Wellman, Reiners, and Leon Janovy will be the Husker weight men.

Fred Wilke, versatile soph, will compete in the high and low hurdles, the broad jump, and the high jump.

In addition to Wilke, Bill Fasano, Milt Haedt, LeRoy Keane, and Bob Knaub will provide depth in the Husker crew of timber toppers.

The sprints are the weakest events with only one man Steve Pfister scheduled to compete.

The 440 men will be Dick Hoelscher and Keane.

Jim Kraft and Larry Donovan are the hopes in the pole vault. Kraft has an outdoor vault of 14-0. In the high jump Vayden Anderson, Fasano, and Roots will back Wilke.

Husker co-captains Knaub and Kraft will also be broad jumping.

The outdoor track schedule provides for 12 meets with only three of them at home.

Freshman Cagers Expected To Help Varsity Next Year

By Norm Beatty
 A well balanced team with a high potential scoring punch denotes the 1961 freshman basketball squad that will stand ready to supplement Coach Jerry Bush's varsity in the 1961-62 season.

"We think the freshmen team this year is one of the best we've had in a good many years," said Tony Sharpe, the freshman basketball mentor.

He also gave some pretty convincing evidence to back up the thoughts he and Coach Jerry Bush are thinking as they look to the future.

Of Daryl Petsch, product of Marysville, Kans. and also the top freshman scorer for the season, Sharpe noted that the 6-5 sharpshooter "is a fine shooter with one of the best outside shots I've ever seen."

Former All-Stater
 The most raved about member of the junior Husker team this season was 6-8 Bill Vincent of Omaha South. The former all-stater already has given an advance notice of his devastating accuracy with his rebounding and corner hook shots.

"Bill is one of the finest shooters you'll find anywhere. We feel he can be a real balanced player if he works. He is now working on an off-season program," Sharpe said.

Vincent will be vying with Big Bill Bowers, Tom Russell and Jim Yates next year for a starting role.

In third place in the freshman scoring chart and certainly one of the top, rugged rebounders is Charlie Jones from Washington, D.C. Because of his play in the armed service, Sharpe explained that his performance

this year was "commendable." Jones' weakness, according to Sharpe is his "shooting and scoring in consistency." He too will be among the strong forward candidates next year.

Chuck Sladovnik, ineligible for intercollegiate competition in the latter part of the season, still ended up in the fifth position in the scoring race.

Strong Defensively
 "Chuck is one of the finest defensive players we've had," Coach Sharpe comments. He added that Sladovnik, a former all-stater from Omaha Holy Name, will need to improve his outside shooting. "He's a real good one," Sharpe noted.

Also ineligible for the latter part of the frosh schedule was former Syracuse all-stater, Neil Nannen. The 6-4 1/2 forward, according to Sharpe, is "a good board man." However, he explained, "Neil still needs work on his outside shooting to be an effective ball player."

Rounding out the top freshmen players of the 1960-61 season are two hustling guards. Sharpe noted that little Dennie Puelz, 5-6 all-stater from Lincoln Northeast, and the deadly outside shooting Roger Denesia, all-stater from Wayne High School, are nearly opposites.

"Dennie is pretty small but a good floor man. He gets in a guy's hair out there. He's a real playmaker," Sharpe said. He added that Puelz will have to improve his outside shooting even though his defense is good.

Denesia, while lacking in his defense, is a "real fine outside shot," Sharpe noted. "He needs to move a little better. He has improved defensively by great strides, however," he added.

Another Northeast grad, Keith Sieck has a knee injury which may hamper him on the court, Sharpe said. Sieck is on the freshmen baseball team.

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New Hours Slated For Men's Swimming

New hours have been set for recreational swimming for men in the Coliseum Pool, according to Dick Klaas, Husker swimming coach.

The pool will be available for men from 12 noon to 12:45 p.m. Monday through Friday; 4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday and 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday.

NU Grid Schedule Announced for Frosh

Nebraska's freshman gridriders will meet Iowa State here Oct. 27 and Kansas State at Manhattan Nov. 10 in their two-game schedule next fall.

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