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and track and earned two letters in football. As a sophomore at Nebraska he lettered in track and then in his junior year made the switch to baseball and earned his letter. He is a senior in the College of Business Administration.

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The Old Pro

Big Eight
Baseball Review

This weekend the Big Eight baseball wars start with the Huskers facing Kansas, Iowa State facing Missouri, Kansas State facing Oklahoma, and the key series this week, Colorado matching its talent with Oklahoma State. The favored diamond crews in the chase for the crown are Oklahoma State, Colorado and Nebraska.

Here's how the Old Pro picks the baseball race with a rundown of each team:

1-NEBRASKA

The Huskers are the pick for the first position on pitching depth to go along with some fine hitters. Sieck, Johnson, Havekost, Bonstall, and Ernst, if needed, will be tough to beat. Schindel, Smith, Ernst, McClatchey, and Bonstall are the top outfield combinations in the Big Eight. Don Purcell and Dave Myers give Huskers additional strength catching. Big problems will be the infield combination at second and short and getting adequate hitting out of the starters. Becher, Redmond, Swett, and Anderson will probably get the nod most of the season, and all must be consistent or the Huskers could drop to as fourth place.

2-COLORADO

The Buffalo's opened with a 3-1 mark against Regis and Phillips University and with important wins this weekend, will be a title threat. Westervelt (7-2) was an All-Big Eight pitching selection last season. Also aiding in the pitching department is a righthanded pitcher Nick Counter (5-7), Jack Spock, Don Gunsaulus and Steve Spangler. This is their weakest spot after you get past Westervelt. The Buffalo outfit is also very good and is led by All-Big Eight and second team All-American, Gabe Weidner (.386). Frank Monchak, Nick Counter (.315), and Nick Graham give good support. Infield is weak with on-

ly Jim Brunkhardt (.333) returning from last year's lineup. Substitute second baseman Don Miller (.286) will aid along with Ron Bacon and Leo Beserra. Catching is average with Dick Dodge returning. Power hitting is weak.

3-OKLAHOMA ST.

The Cowpokes could surprise everyone and repeat this season but it would demand a great effort from everyone. Of importance are All-Big pitchers James Wixson and shortstop Don Wallace. The Cowpokes came off the Southern swing with a 1-3 record and must bounce back resoundingly against a tough Colorado outfit. Aiding Wixson will be Larry Ferguson, Myrtle Calmus, Dale Briggs and Lit Fowler. The pitching staff is a question mark after Wixson. The outfield will have Walt McKenzie, Don Karns, Jim Brown, and Gary Parker. They are good defensively but weak offensively. Infield will be the best defensively in Big Eight with pitcher Larry Ferguson or Myrtle Calmus at first, Don Wallace, Ron Schlittmeier, and Bill Blair. Only strength is catching with veteran Bill Ketchum. Team's hitting is very weak and pitching isn't strong enough for pennant.

4-MISSOURI

The Tigers get the nod here strictly on their good pitching depth. Jim Card, Larry Bohannon, Bobby Jenkins, Richard Peterson, and Steve Silverman make up one of the toughest pitching staffs in the league. Also All-Big Eight third baseman George Hulett is back with veteran Gene McArthur at first but everything else is green. Elsewhere in the infield are Steve Smith and Carroll McDannold vieing for second and Dave Harvey for second and Dave Harvey and Kin Lavender at short. The outfield is not extremely strong defensively with Dan Reilly (.300) and Jim Estes (.322), vets of last season, along with Jim Sevcik, Bob Price, and Wayde Fredrickson. Missouri will play a lot of close games but can't win enough of the one run battles with present hitting situation.

5-OKLAHOMA

The Sooners are hurt by a poor pitching staff which will have mostly sophomores. Returning are Bobby Jayroe and Jerry Haddock along with Charles Pearson, Steve Davis, and Doyle Tunnell. This should cost the Sooners a good chance at the pennant. Another weak position is the outfield where no good veterans are returning. Vieing for spots are Jackie Cowan, Gary Maynard, Bill Ford, Bob Kolbrenner, Eddy Peach, and Jay Gregg. The infield has a problem at first with Don Finkenbinder being the most likely to start. The rest of the infield will be composed of Denzil McDonald, Warren Fouts and Howard Black with Don Hassebrook backing up. The overall picture of the infield situation is average. Dick Denton and Tom Walton form the strongest catching corp in the league. Overall, both hitting and pitching will have some improvement to make this year and a lack of power is very evident.

6-KANSAS STATE

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A very strong pitching staff is about all that K. State has and will be hard pressed to repeat last year's fourth place finish. With Wayne Thummel, Rich Heiman, Brad Steele, John Laurie, Al Bolts, and Ivor Evans tossing the ball, the Wildcats could be real tough if they were sound defensively. In the infield, only Gary Edwards or Gary Kaufman at first have lettered and will get aid from sophomores Sammy Somerhalder, Minden graduate, Morris Logue, and Larry Corrigan. This is the weakest infield in the league. Outfielders have only veteran Harold Haun (.313) and Gerry Kreske back. The other outfielder will probably be sophomore Rich Lee. Catching also falls on the novices with either Bob Avery, Raydon Robel, or Robert Kline-schmidt getting the nod. Hitting, power, and defense will all be lacking at the Wildcat stronghold this year.

8-KANSAS

Last year's cellar dwellers, the Jayhawks appear headed that direction again this season. KU has nothing to really contend with the rest of the conference. Pitching will be Jerry Waldschmidt, Carl Nelson, Roger Brock, and Bob Tryon. Sophomore Monte Stewart may break in. The staff isn't extremely strong. Catching for the Jayhawks will be Keith Abercrombie (.345) who is adequate. The infield will contain an All-American J.C. transfer, Hubert Bumgardner, at second; Jim Evilsizer, Dick Fanning; Don Miller, and LeRoy Radar. The infield is weak defensively and offensively. The outfield will be composed of veteran Ken Hensley, Jim Marshall, Dave Robinson, Tony Leiker, and Ken Coleman. These positions will also be below average. KU may win several games in the loop and surprise somebody bidding for a first division berth but, overall, it won't be a contender.

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NEBRASKAN SPORTS

Cage Slate Announced

Thirteen home games will be the feature of the Husker 1962-'63 basketball schedule announced Athletic Director, Tippy Dye.

The twenty-two game schedule includes a two-game set with Southern California at home December 21-22.

Dec. 1-Texas Tech at Lubbock; 3-Houston at Houston; 8-Nebraska at Wisconsin; 10-State College at Iowa (Cedar Falls) in Lincoln; 15-Denver University in Lincoln; 17-Miami, Ohio in Lincoln; 21-Southern California in Lincoln; 26-Big Eight Preseason Tournament at Kansas City, Jan. 7-Colorado in Lincoln; 12-Kansas State at Manhattan; 19-Kansas at Columbia.

For 2-Kansas State in Lincoln; 4-Iowa State at Ames; 9-Missouri in Lincoln; 11-Iowa State in Lincoln; 12-Southern California at Southern California; 22-Kansas in Lincoln; 25-Oklahoma State in Lincoln. March 2-Oklahoma in Lincoln; 4-Colorado at Boulder; 9-Missouri at

Ron Moore, Bill Fasano and LeRoy Keane will be looking for their second win of the season. These four won this event in the Kansas State Invitational Meet in Manhattan on March 24 with a :29.7 clocking for the 240-yard event.

Rounding out the relay entries will be the four-mile team made up of Fleming, Portee, Stevens and Mauro Aldizio.



TEXAS BOUND—Mike Fleming and eleven other Husker relay men will accompany Coach Frank Sevigne to the Texas Relays at Austin this weekend. Fleming will run on the distance medley relay and the four-mile relay for Nebraska.

Four NU Relay Teams To Compete in Texas

By JAN SACK
Sports Staff Writer

A fight-to-finish outdoor track season gets underway tomorrow when Nebraska enters four teams in the Texas Relays at Austin against top U.S. competition.

Coach Frank Sevigne will field the strongest relay teams in several years. In the 440-yard relay, the Husker sprint corps of Fred Wilke, Ray Knaub, Don Degnan and Steve Pfister will handle the chores.

A distance medley relay event will be run by Gil Gebo, who will lead off with the 440, John Portee, the 880; Ray Stevens, the three-quarter mile, with Mike Fleming running the anchor mile leg.

Husker shuttle hurdle relay quartet composed of Wil-

—Four Sit Out Second Drill—

Gridders Continue Spring Workouts

There were no major position changes as the Husker football team finished their second practice session last night. The practice consisted of running through a couple of new plays, more group work and a little contact.

There were four players on the injury list who did not participate in the practice.

Dennis Stuewe was out with a pulled leg muscle, Gary Warden had a pulled muscle,

LaVane Johnson was sick with the flu, and John Strohmeyer sidelined with a cut leg.

Dennis Kirby was back for action after missing Mon-

IM Slates

Tonight's Games

VILLEBALL

5:00 N Phi Delta Theta-B vs Beta Theta Pi-B

5:00 S Law College vs Ira-nians

7:30 N Sigma Phi Epsilon-A vs Beta Sigma Psi-A

7:30 S Benton vs Manatt

5:20-Ag College

NE Kisselbach vs Smith

NW Gus I vs Burnett

SE MacLean vs Manatt

SE Bessey vs Avery

Johnston Cops First

Bill Johnston of Lincoln won the Student Union men's table tennis tournament with Ray Coleman of Burr Hall placing second.

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