

Stevens Gives Huskers Surprise Mile Victory



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GOLD MEDAL—Nebraska's Ray Knaub lunges for the tape and wins the 100-yard dash in :09.6 at the Big Eight Championships at Manhattan, Kan. Nebraska's Kent McCloughan, not pictured, finished third.

Kansas Upset Winner; NU Huskers Take Third

By JAN SACK
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Nebraska's Ray Stevens turned in the most spectacular performance at the Big Eight Track Championships in Manhattan Saturday. The slight blond runner cracked the mile in 4:04.9 to erase the old conference record and the Memorial Stadium mark at Manhattan.

Stevens was not favored to win the mile, but was picked to give co-captain Mike Fleming plenty of support. Stevens looked strong during the entire race and kept up with Bob Griffith of Colorado, favored Pat McNeal of Kansas State and Missouri's Jerry McFadden who were leading.

About half way through the last lap Stevens put on that famous kick of his and the battle between him and McFadden began. From the final curve down to the wire Stevens kept his slight lead over McFadden.

With the 4:04.9, Stevens' time ranks as the sixth best U.S. collegiate mile this year. Last week he ran a 4:13.4 against Missouri. His best time previous to this was a 4:11.3 run against Barrie Almond of Houston as a sophomore.

Gail Hodgson of Oklahoma set the old conference record of 4:06.2 in 1959.

Teamwise Kansas University won the meet with 102½ points. Missouri was 2nd with 98½ and Nebraska 3rd with 93. Other finishes and points were Colorado 4th with 86; Oklahoma State 5th with 73; Oklahoma 6th with 34; Iowa State 7th with 20½ and Kansas State 8th with 18½.

Nebraska also grabbed gold medals in the 100-yard dash, 440-yard relay and triple jump.

Ray Knaub won the 100-yard dash with a clocking of :09.6. Jim Miller of Colorado edged into second place and Husker Kent McCloughan was third.

The Husker quartet of Fred Wilke, Steve Pfister, McCloughan and Knaub unbound for a 4:10 and the gold medal.

Victor Brooks came through with the other victory in the triple jump by leaping 47-3. Brooks also placed third in the broad jump with a 23-7½ mark. Rudy Johnson of Nebraska took a fifth place in the broad jump at 22-7. Glenn

Martin of Kansas won the event with a leap of 23-8½.

Charles Strong of Oklahoma State, the meet's most outstanding athlete, was awarded the Henry F. Schulte Memorial Award. The Cowboy standout was a triple winner and took a second in the broad jump. Strong won the 220-yard dash with a :21.0 and topped Knaub who placed second. Strong also won the 440-yard dash in :47.1 placing ahead of Gil Gebbo and Dick Strand both of Nebraska who were second and third respectively.

Then as a climax he anchored the Oklahoma State mile relay team to victory with a clocking of 3:11.3 for the event. Nebraska placed third in the mile relay.

Kirk Hagan of Kansas won the 880-yard run 1:50.7 with Greg Pelster of Missouri taking second. John Portee of Nebraska was fifth and teammate Clarence Scott was sixth.

Bob Ward of Missouri won the 120-yard high hurdles in :14.4 with teammate Jim Streeby placing second. Husker co-captain Wilke garnered third. In the 330-yard intermediate hurdles, Miller of Colorado won the event in :36.5. Streeby was second and Wilke sixth.

The three-mile run was finally won by Paul Acevedo of Kansas in 14:21.0 after KU's Herald Hadley was disqualified. Hadley originally won the race. Colorado's Griffith was second and Missouri's Roy Bryant third.

Yul Yost of Kansas won the shot put with a toss of 58-6½. Dick Inman of Oklahoma was second with a toss of 55-5.

Oklahoma State's John Anderson won the discus with a toss of 167-2½ with Doug Stoner of Kansas second at 158-5.

Ross Tunnel of Missouri won the high jump at 6-7. Larry Eilert of Iowa State placed second at 6-6 and Russell Lavery of Oklahoma State was third at 6-6.

Kansas won the pole vault with Floyd Manning going 15-2. Preston Holsinger of Oklahoma State was second at 15-0 and Roger Olander of Colorado was third at 15-0.

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SETS NEW RECORD—Husker Ray Stevens in winning the mile in 4:04.9 set a new conference record and broke the Kansas State Memorial Stadium mark. Jerry McFadden of Missouri was second and Bob Griffith of Colorado third.

Tigers Take Baseball Crown; O-State Defeats Cornhuskers

The Missouri Tigers won the Big-Eight conference baseball title as predicted this weekend as they swept two games of a three game series from the Kansas Jayhawks.

Meanwhile the Oklahoma State Cowboys were sweeping a three game series from the Nebraska Cornhuskers, 1-0, 4-0, 6-1.

The Huskers wound up 5-15 in loop play and 8-18 overall.

The OSU Cowpokes finished 12-9 in the conference and 15-10 overall.

In Saturday's doubleheader at Stillwater, Larry Ferguson blanked the Cornhuskers on three hits in the first game to become the first Cowboy hurler to win 20 games in a career.

Littleton Fowler tossed a three-hitter to win the second game.

OSU Wins Net Title

Oklahoma State swept its three matches in the singles finals and clinched its sixth straight Big Eight Conference tennis title Saturday.

Dick Gibson and Dave Wohlfarth teamed up for Nebraska's only first-round win as all other Huskers were eliminated in their first matches.

Gibson and Wohlfarth lost their semifinals match to Bob Folz and Larry Cooley of Oklahoma State, 6-1, 6-4, Saturday.

Nebraska first-round results:

SINGLES
Robert Owen, Colorado, def. Dick Gibson, 5-4, 6-2; Richard Ellman, Colorado, def. Dave Wohlfarth, 6-1, 7-5; Larry Cooley, Oklahoma State, def. Dick Harter, 6-2, 6-2; Jack Richards, Oklahoma, def. Jack Lanstner, 6-3, 6-2; Bruce Bowman, Oklahoma, def. Jeff Wu, 6-1, 6-2.

DOUBLES
Gibson-Wohlfarth, Nebraska, def. Owen-Kirkpatrick, 6-3, 6-2; Cobble-McCarthy, Kansas, def. Harter-Lanstner, 6-3, 6-2.

Cornhuskers Finish 7th In Big 8 Golf

Oklahoma State won the Big Eight Golf Tournament for the sixth straight time with a 20-stroke margin over runnerup Oklahoma Saturday.

The Cornhuskers of Nebraska finished in seventh place, one up from last year. Nebraska's team score of 911 was eight strokes better than last place Iowa State. Frank Schreiner was Nebraska's top shooter with a steady 73-70-73—216.

Oklahoma State's George Hixon was tournament medalist with a one-under-par 209 on the par 36-34-70 Manhattan Country Club course. His final round of 67 was the tournament's best.



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