LARRY WACHHOLTZ . . . winner of District Five Phi Kappa Psi "Outstanding Athlete" award.

Larry Wachholtz Receives Award

Kansas City—Larry Wachholtz, diminutive defensive star from the University of Nebraska, has been named the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity "Outstanding Athlete" in the Fifth District for 1965, according to Larry Winn, Jr., sports chairman.

Presentation Friday

The award will be presented to Wachholtz Friday night, February 25th, at the Fraternity's Annual Founder's Day banquet at the University Club in Kansas City.

Wachholtz, who might be referred to as "triple-threat", specialized in points-after-touchdowns, punt returns and defensive safety for the Cornhuskers. He scored on 33 of 37 extra-point attempts, setting an all-time Nebraska record while finishing third in total scoring in the Big-Eight Conference. He led the Big-Eight and finished second in the nation in punt returns.

Larry was selected on the second All-American team by the U.P.I. and the Helms Foundation and garnered a berth on the All-Big-Eight conference team. Only 5' 10" and 162 lbs., Wachholtz is living proof that there is still a place for the small man in football.

Noses Out Churchich

In winning the award, he nosed out teammate Bob Churchich, Husker quarterback, last year's winner; Missouri wrestler, Danny Young and Kansas gridders Rick Abernethy and Harold Montgomery.

Nominations for the award are made by each chapter in the seven-state area and the board of judges of sports writers and broadcasters are asked to not only consider athletic abilities, but include scholarship, sportsmanship and attitude in juding.

Previous winners were: Bobby Reynolds, Nebraska halfback, 1950, Bill Reichardt, Iowa fullback, 1951; Bill Fenton, Iowa end, 1952-53; Max Burkett, Iowa State fullback, 1954; and Bob Massengale, Missouri quarter-miler, 1955; Dwight Nichols, Iowa State tailback, 1957, '58, '59; Jay Arnette, Texas cager, 1960, Jim Huge, Nebraska end, 1961 Tom Hertz, Missouri tackle, 1962, Dick Limerick, Iowa State halfback, 1963, and Bob Churchich, Nebraska quarterback, 1964.

Sooner Scholars

Oklahoma's first gymnastics team of all time flew through the scholastic air with the greatest of ease last semester.

Mischa Gorkuscha, Ponca City side horse man, topped all varsity athletes with a 4.0 (straight A) in Russian, physics, math and history. Neal Donahue, horizontal bar performer from Sayville, N.Y., led all freshmen athletes with a 4.0 average. Both are math majors.

Terry Due, Duncan sophomore and pre-med major, paced the basketball varsity with a 3.75. Other B or better boys among Coach Bob Stevens' bouncers were Tom Flood 3.25 and Joe Bogan 3.0.

The Sooner roundball squad boasted a 2.59 overall squad average. There were only two failing courses in the 252 hours the basketball varsity carried.

A freshman pre-dental major led the tennis squad. He is Dicke Gilkey of Seminole and he scored 3.2. Hal McCoy topped the tennis varsity with 3.05.

In Kansas City —

Crook, Three Others Hope To Defend Their National Indoor Titles

(Note: This is the third of a four-part series on Big Eight Conference track, leading up to the indoor championships, Friday and Saturday, in Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium. The fourth feature will explore the 1,000, mile, and two-mile runs.)

KANSAS CITY, MO. — An abundance of gold catches the eye this year in the 440, 600, and 880 lineups at the Big Eight Conference indoor championships, this Friday and Saturday in Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium.

In each of these three events, a defending national champion will be matching skills with a defending Conference indoor or outdoor champion. This adds up to six leaders, two for each event, and six gold medal performances last year. Something will have to give since only one gold medal for each event will be available Saturday.

Kansas State's Don Payne (outdoor 400 meters), Iowa State's Steve Carson (indoor 600), and Oklahoma State's Tom Von Ruden (indoor 880) are the national titalists. Oklahoma's Bill Calhoun (outdoor 440), Lee Calhoun (indoor 440), Lee Calhoun (indoor 600), and Oklahoma State's John Perry (outdoor 880) are the Big Eight champions.

This stride-for-stride-matching situation could provide for new Conference records in each event. A matching of this year's best times for the leaders is all that is needed to break these marks at the 38th annual championships.

Because of the nature of the three events—all have to rate in the sprint class now, including the 880 because of the blistering times turning up in the event—they are hard to explore. These are the events in which coaches move their men like pawns in search of additional points—a spot to strike in quest of the team title.

By Conference legislation, each team may enter five men in the 440 and 600, three in one race and two in the other, depending upon where each coach feels his strength (and athletes' best chances) lies. (A similar limitation is applied to the 880 and 1,000-yard run.)

880-Yard Run

A little more semblence of order can be made out of the 880 field. Just toss out a few Oklahoma State names, making sure Von Ruden and Perry are included, and a fair field is formed without even considering a pair of Kansas Staters.

Neither Perry nor Von Ruden led the 880 parade going into the last weekend of dual meets. That honor belonged to Wes Dutton, a Kansas State junior who missed last season because of a broken foot. Cutton has a 1:52.6.

And, right behind him is the Wildcats' Charles Harper with a 1:53.9 second-place time in the same meet. Also a serious contender is Missouri's Charlie Conrad, the winner in the event two yearsago. He has a best so far of 1:55.1, which puts him just behind Kansas' Lowell Paul.

Then there is the Oklahoma State contingent, spearheaded by Von Ruden, Perry, and Jim Metcalf, three members of the world-record-holding two-mile relay team. Joining this threesome in a new attempt to lower the international relay standard is Arnold Droke.

At the Federation Invitational, this quarter won going away, with Metcalf's carry being recorded in 1:52.7 and Von Ruden's anchor sprint in 1:51.4.

Mile Relay

The closing event of all meets, and the one this year which could decide the team championship in what is expected to be one of the wildest scrambles in Conference history, has to be just as close as the three individual events—440, 600, and 880 — which supply the combatants.

Oklahoma has logged the best time so far with its greyhounds reporting in at 3:20.0. Tom Melton, Jim Hamilton, Jim Hardwick, and Bill Calhoun combined to record the mark which is only two seconds off the Conference standard.

However, Ralph Higgins of Oklahoma State says: "They won't take the mile relay away from us this year." He used Droke, Larry Linn, Von Ruden, and Mickey Miller to edge Nebraska's crack unit of Tom Millsap, Dennis Walker, Ron Lee, and Crook at the New Mexico triangular, 3:21.3 to 3:21.6.

These might not be the units running Saturday, but it is a cinch those built by the contenders at that stage of the meet will be potent, made up of what amounts to one of the best aggregations of sprinters ever available in the league.

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Phi Kappa Psi's Stop Sig Nu's In IM Tourney

By Bob Flasnick

In a battle of the undefeated Tuesday night, Phi Kappa Psi A handed Sigma Nu A its first loss of the season, 58-49, in intramural basketball tournament action.

The powerful Phi Psi's jumped to a six point first quarter advantage, but the hot hand of Sigma Nu's Bob Witte connected for 11 points in the second quarter to lead Sigma Nu to a 31-28 halftime advantage.

When Witte cooled off in the second half the Phi Psi's began to pull away with the help of Larry Wachholtz's six point third quarter.

Wachholtz finished with 13 for the Phi Psi's and teammate Ron Poggemeyer, a safety on the Husker football team like Wachholtz, had eleven.

Gary Niebauer got 12 and John Kammerzell 11 in the evenly distributed Phi Psi scoring attack. Bill Marshall played a consistent game under the boards and helped the winners fashion a 14 for 18 mark at the free throw line.

Witte was high scorer for the Sigma Nu's with 19 points followed by Don Frolio with 14. The jumping antics of Sigma Nu's Gary Sanford helped him to get 10 points and to block about as many shots.

The loss drops Sigma Nu into the losers bracket of the tournament, but its quite possible the two powerhouses will meet again before the tournament ends.

Thursday, February 24
P. E. Building Court 1
5:00 Phi Delta Theta C vs. Sigma Phi Epsilon C
6:30 Parmacy vs. Army
7:30 Delta Upsilon A vs. Sigma Nu A
8:30 Abel VI A vs. Abel IV A
P.E. Building Court 2
5:00 Delta Tau Delta C vs. Phi Gamma Delta C
6:30 Misfits vs. Hustlers no. 2
7:30 Triangle vs. (loser Beta Sigma Psi A, Pioneer A)
8:30 Abel X A vs. Abel XIII A

Tournament scores:
Tuesday, February 2
Beta Theta Pi C 46, Phi Kappa Psi C 36
Phi Delta Theta C 46, Kappa Sigma C 36
Delta Tau Delta C 40, Farm House C 22
Abel X 47, Abel XI 36
Delta Upsilon A 63, Alpha Tau Omega A 51
Delta Upsilon C 42, Sigma Nu C 39
Sigma Phi Epsilon C 40, Alpha Tau Omega C 32
Hustlers no. 2 44, Unicorns 43
Triangle A 49, Pi Kappa Alpha A 31
Phi Gamma Delta C 40, Ag Men C 26
Dents 59, Hustlers I 29
Civil Engineers 39, Pharmacy 38
Phi Kappa Psi A 58, Sigma Nu A 49
Marauders 59, Phi Epsilon Kappa 46
Army 50, Gamblers 43
Misfits 30, Psych. Dept. 20
Abel VII A 46, Abel IV A 43
Abel XII A 58, Abel XIII A 57
Abel VI A 54, Abel II A 53

SAM ROBINSON . . . KSU guard, second in team scoring, rebounding.

K-State Closing Fast

Manhattan, Kan.—Lurking in the shadow of both Nebraska and Kansas, the Kansas State Wildcats continue their frantic bid for showdown action following six straight Big Eight wins. K-State faces hot and cold Oklahoma this Saturday at Norman, Okla., before meeting the pacesetting Cornhuskers at Lincoln, Nebr., on Tuesday (March 1).

The Wildcats and Sooners will tipoff in OU Fieldhouse at 8:05 p.m., with the K-State and Nebraska contest starting at 7:35 p.m. in the Coliseum.

Coach Tex Winter credits K-State's pesky man-for-man defense and the consistent play of Earl Seyfert, a 6-7 sophomore foreard, as being responsbile for already a better season than 1964-65. Overall, the Wildcats stand 13-8 for the campaign, compared to a 12-13 finish last year.

Of course, K-State is far ahead of last year's victory pace in conference play. A 5-9 club a year ago, the Wildcats carry an 8-2 loop mark into Saturday night's game with the Sooners.

Oklahoma, 9-13 overall and 5-6 in Big Eight play, enter the contest needing a win to spark first-division aspirations. The Sooners were trounced 86-69 by KU on Monday night.

Seyfert, a late-comer for the Wildcats this season, has been the leading pointmaker for K-State in five of the wins and tied with Ron Paradis for top honors Monday night. The reticent southpaw is averaging 17 points a game since returning to the starting lineup.

Harrassing Wildcat guards, ball-shagging forwards and stout center Roy Smith have combined to make K-State's defense among the best in the nation. Opponents have been held to an average of 57.3 points a game during the six-game streak.

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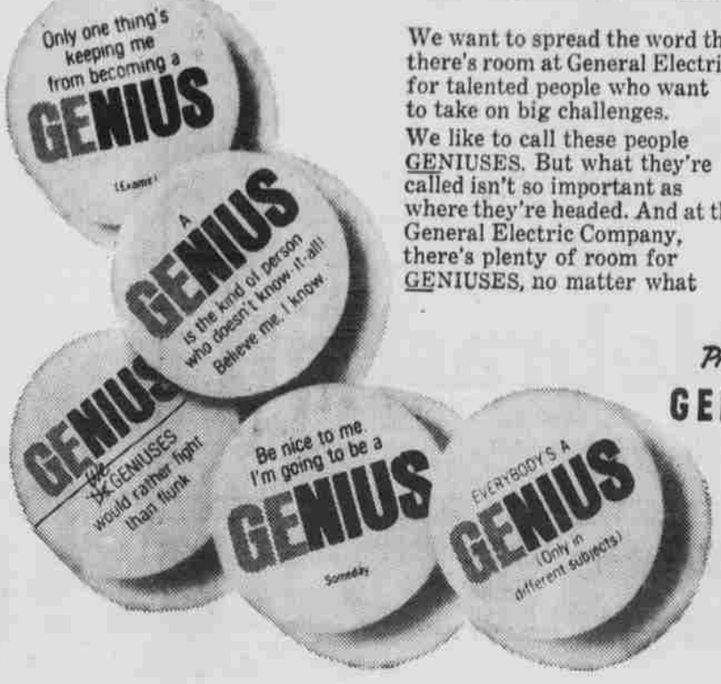

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