

Husker 'Super Nate' Aids ISU Downfall

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Ice-o-metrics

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I was rooked.
Someone suggested that I was out of shape the other day, so I promptly proved my fine condition by trying my hand at a strenuous participation sport—chess.

I lost and although it is only small consolation, I lost to a Nebraska student who defeated the man who lost to the man who lost to the President of the New York Chess Club, who was beaten by Bobby Fisher, the best chess player in North America.

Of course, I filed protest on the match on several grounds. First, the match wasn't sanctioned by the NCAA or the AAU or the SNCC or anyone at all, so it wasn't really that big a deal.

And then I have my suspicions that my opponent has signed with a pro chess team, making him ineligible.

Then, there is the chance of a rematch, if the other guy is not drafted because of his bad knee and his claim to being a minister.

Back to the match: It was a close, pawn-to-pawn duel, with me taking his pawn and then losing my knight. Then jumped his bishop (nothing religious intended . . . after all it's a state-supported University) and lost my queen. I kept even with him like that until I noted that my king was worked into a corner, and . . . alas, it was all over.

That ended my brief whirl of the sport of chess, but I must add that I was rooked.

His rook got my king, which was all the pawnishment this athlete could take in a single match. Besides, I was getting bored.

This other fellow will get his own, though. He got a little too ambitious and invited the eighth best chess player of Nebraska in 1964 to a match.

Coverage of this super-game will be blacked out in Lincoln, but plenty of tickets are still available.

About a month ago Nate Branch was benched from his starting position on the Nebraska basketball team because he supposedly had not given the effort of which he was capable.

Nate quickly recovered his starting position and has improved with each successive game.

Saturday afternoon at Ames, Iowa, "super Nate" was at his best as he ripped off 28 points in leading the Cornhuskers to 76-65 conference victory over Iowa State.

Twisting underhand lay-ups were Branch's specialty against the Cyclones, but he was also effective from long range as the Huskers overcame superstition and won their 13th game of the year.

The victory was also their seventh in Big Eight conference play against two losses, keeping Nebraska in the title picture. Kansas retained its first place position with an 82-74 victory over Oklahoma Saturday night at Norman. The Jayhawks are 8-1 in the conference, a game ahead of the Huskers.

For a while at Ames it looked dark, as Nebraska was down by as many as ten points in the first half. But with Branch's help from the field and Stuart Lantz's from the foul stripe, the Huskers pulled to within two, 42-40 at intermission.

But in the second half it was a different story as Nebraska thoroughly dominated play as it had throughout the entire game with I-State a week earlier in Lincoln.

At Ames the Huskers put on a nearly perfect press defense that completely stymied the Cyclones, holding them to one field goal and four free throws in twelve minutes. Willie Campbell scored seven straight points, two on a stuff shot, and the Cornhuskers never faltered after that as they ran their lead up to 65-48 with 7:53 to go.

Campbell and Frank Empey were effective in guarding Big Eight scoring leader Don Smith, but the Cyclone ace still tallied 22 points. His last bucket gave him a total of 1,000 points in two years as a Cyclone performer.

Only two other Big Eight cagers have ever duplicated this feat. Those were Wilt Chamberlain and Clyde Lovellette, both of Kansas.

Iowa State had never lost a televised basketball game. And Nebraska Coach Joe Cipriano kept a personal streak alive. His Husker teams have yet to lose to the Cyclones. This streak encompasses seven victories in a four year span.

The Nebraska freshman basketball team suffered their second defeat of the season as they were ripped in the closing seconds by the Iowa State Frosh, 78-77.

The Husker yearlings had a 52-43 half time lead, but could only muster 26 points in the second twenty minute period. Nebraska had a 32-24 field goal edge over the Cyclones but lost the game at the free throw line.

The Cornhusker's fouling antics gave Iowa State 48 chances at the stripe and they connected on 30 of them. Nebraska hit 13 of their 19 chances.

Tom Scantlebury again led the freshman with 27 points, but only one other Husker, Sam Martin, could hit double figures. The Pawnee City native had 5 fielders for ten points.

Frosh Lose

High School Mat Contest Stronger

The University of Nebraska's future wrestling hopes seem to shine a little brighter after the display of increased competition and some exceptional individuals in the Nebraska high school wrestling championships held Friday and Saturday in the Coliseum.

Nebraska wrestling coach Orval Borgianni organized and supervised the meet which was marked by the addition of a Class C division.

The Omaha South Packers who held off runner-up Scottsbluff for a 19th state championship.

The B and C races were tight with Lexington edging last year's champ Albion, 64-61, for the B title and Rushville taking the C title, 78-69, from Crawford.

Class A Team Scoring

O. South	54	Alliance	13
Scottsbluff	43	Gering	13
O. Tech	37	Hastings	12
O. Westside	37	O. Central	10
Fremont	28	O. Benson	9
O. North	26	Bellevue	7
Crawford Prep	24	Columbia	6
McCook	21	Northwest	5
O. Ryan	21	Plan N	5
Sidney	18	Kearney	4
Southeast	17	No. Platte	2
Boys Town	16	O. Bryan	1
Lincoln High	15	O. Burke	1
Grand Island	14		

Class B Team Scoring

Lexington	64	Millard	11
Albion	52	Fairbury	9
Ogallala	52	Kimball	9
O'Neill	45	Papillion	8
Cozad	45	Atkinson	8
Holdrege	36	Ralston	7
Valentine	32	Gothenburg	4
Gordon	21	Ashland	2
St. Paul	21	Auburn	2
Schuyler	12	Chadron	1
Broken Bow	12	Minden	1

Class C Team Scoring

Rushville	78	Concordia	7
Crawford	69	E. Butler	6
Harrisburg	43	Arapahoe	4
Amherst	43	Beaver City	4
Bertrand	27	W. Kearney	4
Ceresco	20	Cambridge	3
Gibson	27	Butte	3
Wolbach	23	Hebron	2
Shelton	20	Milford	2
Bayard	19	Oxford	2
Mullen	18	Deshler	2
Bennington	7	Imperial	2
NSVH	7		



CLIFTON FORBES . . . bolts from the field, tying the meet record, and wins the 60-yard dash for the Huskers. Forbes' time was :06.2, well ahead of Isaac Howard and Larry Plantz of the University of Colorado.

Stay-At-Home Cornhuskers Host Losing Track Squads

You could hardly say that the Nebraska indoor track delegation is very adventurous — they refuse to leave home.

The Cornhuskers will host Iowa State and New Mexico this Saturday in the Nebraska Field House for the completion of their dual and triangular season, in which all matches were in Lincoln.

The thinclads, who ran away from Colorado, 72-49 in a Saturday duel, will then leave the University for their first away meet — and that one should be something else.

It is the Big Eight indoor meet, March 3-4 in Kansas City, Missouri. The meet will probably show even more than the performances of the two publicized super stars of the conference — Jim Ryan of Kansas and Charlie Greene, the Husker sprinter now laid off with a leg injury.

Nebraska will be one of the favorites in the championships, especially if it successfully defends its thus-far perfect record in Saturday's triangular.

But a win against Iowa State and New Mexico will be anything but exciting if it runs like Saturday's one-sided match.

The Huskers dropped behind the Buffaloes on first places, 3-1, in the field but NU dominated the track events by winning eight of 10.

High jumper Steve Krebs leaped 6-7 for the lone field victory and a meet record, an inch and one-quarter above the 1965 mark of Jack Cramer.

Nebraska's Jack Todd and Colorado's Mark Tomon tied for second at 6-7.

Buff Barry King heaved the shot 55-4, outdistancing Dennis Hagin and Jerry Patton, both of NU. Hagin was second at 53-1; Patton had a 51-10 1/2.

Ron Fecht went 13-6, matching the height of CU's Chuck Rogers, but Rogers, who was injured trying to go 14-0, was awarded the win on fewer misses.

Rogers was even with the cross bar when he failed to

clear it and fell back to the ground, bruising his back.

Colorado's Bill Adams broad jumped 21-11 1/2 to edge Nebraska's Tom O'Hara and Harlan Mettschke, both of who went 21-5 1/2.

On the track, the Buffaloes looked best from the distance — races, that is. The Buffs won the mile and two mile events for their only track wins.

Paul Cattermole of CU ran a 4:21.8 mile, finishing ahead of teammate Craig

Runyon and third-place Husker Don Bischoff.

Runyon was also the two mile winner in 9:29.1, while Buff Jeff Donaldson was second and Bischoff again third.

Nebraska's Ray Harvey was the meets only double winner, running a :07.4 high hurdles and a :07.0 low hurdles.

60-yard dasher Clifton Forbes, running undefeated this season for the Huskers while Greene is recuperating, tied the meet record of :06.2.

Other NU individual winners were: Hugh McGovern, with a 1:12.1 in the 600-yard run; Dennis Walkers, who turned in a :51.1 in the 440-yard run; Kent Radke, 1,000-yard run winner in 2:16.5; and Les Heebusch, with a 1:56.2 in the 880-yard run.

The mile relay team for Nebraska also broke the meet record with a 3:21.0 time. Walker, Forbes, McGovern and Liss were the relayers.

Gym Squad Falls

The Air Force Academy shot down Nebraska's gymnastics squad, 166.4 to 162, in a duel Saturday at the Academy.

Following a loss to the University of Colorado, Friday, the Huskers grabbed a quartet of first places but could not hold off the Falcons.

Nebraska's Steve May took two first places, on the still rings and on the parallel bars.

Mickey Johnson took the top spot on the horizontal bar and Bob Santoro was the best on the long horse.

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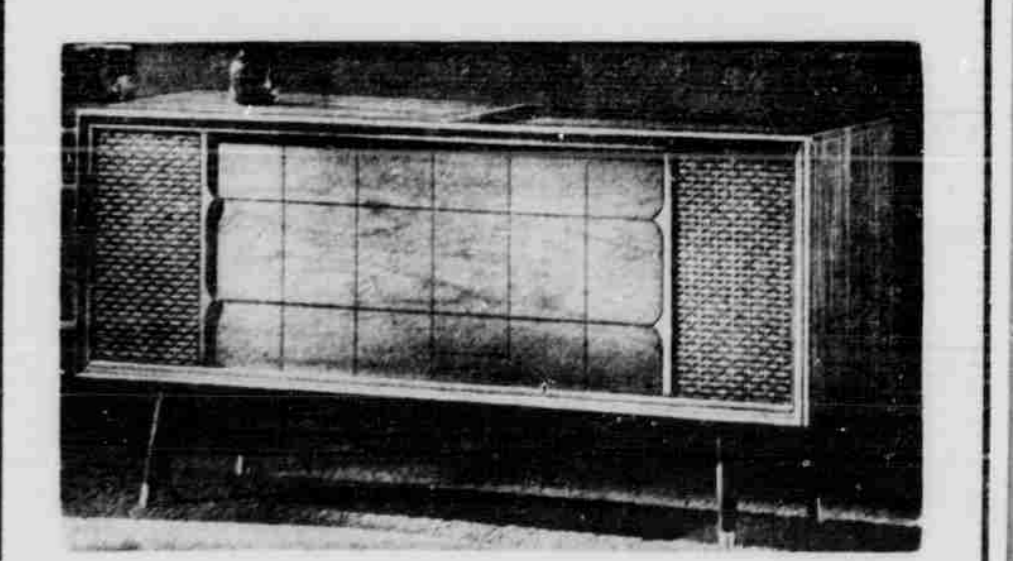
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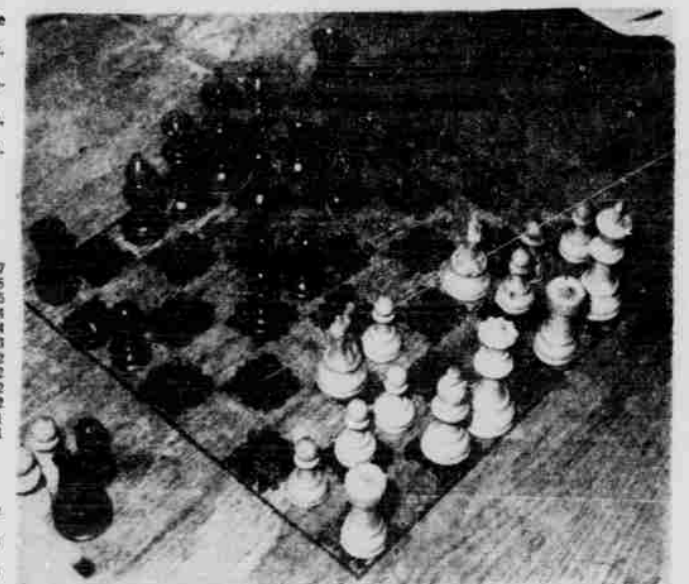
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