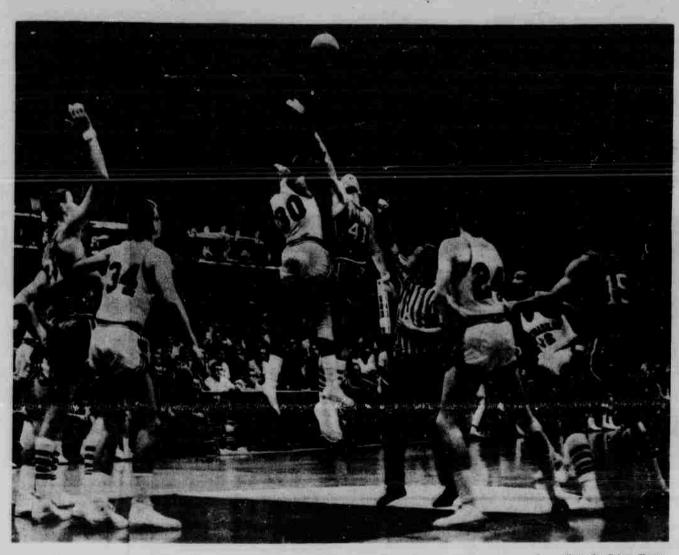
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NEBRASKA'S FRED HARE . . . outjumps Titan Stu Myers during Monday's 111-74 record setting Nebraska victory over the California State Titans from Fullerton.

Scoring Record Broken As Cagers Win Opener

By CHARLES DAVIS **Assistant Sports Editor**

Balanced scoring and a strong first half aided Joe Cipriano's Nebraska basketball team to a record-setting 111-74 win over the California State Titans Monday night.

The old record of 101 points was set against the University of Wisconsin in the 1965 season opener.

The Husker cagers, led by the shooting of center Bob Gratopp, forward Tom Baack, and guard Tom Scantlebury, stormed to a 61-26 halftime margin. CAL TIRED

When the starting five rested midway in the first half, the reserves continued Nebraska's onslaught until the 35 point halftime lead had been recorded.

Coach Cipriano said the record scoring performance

"I felt the half-court press ing performance Cipriano (a new press established by was pleased with the crowd the Nebraska coach this of 5,520 for the Husker opening game at the Coliseum.

"The student support helps the team," he said. Cipriano was particularly pleased with his defense.

year) helped and set the tempo of the game," he said HUSTLED "The boys hustled on our defense, which is an enjoy-



able defense to watch." The Husker cage coach was also happy with several of his sophomores.

"Ken Cauble, Bob Gratopp, and Dale Von Seggern all did a fine job for us, Cipriano said.

Gratopp tied for scoring honors with 18 points, Von Seggern pulled down five rebounds, and Cauble connected for four points.

MORE AGGRESSIVE

"Von Seggern, however, must be more aggressive on the boards." he added.

He said the players still must work on team defense. There are special situations we have to work on." he said.

Cipriano feels this season's Husker team has more depth than in the past. Fifteen players played and

Huskers Swamp Coyotes, 94-61 For Second Victory Of Season

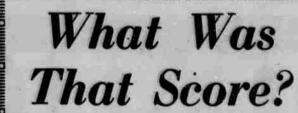
swamped the University of

South Dakota Coyotes 94-

For a while, it was Tom

Scantlebury against all the

The Huskers were as cold as a December evening during the first ten minutes Tuesday night, but once they found the range they



By LES HELLBUSCH

Basketball is a distinctly American game that had its beginnings in 1891. It has been rapidly increasing in popularity and has been spreading over many other countries in recent years.

Despite basketball's recent birth, it is familar to sports fans and hasn't undergone a major change in many years

CHANGE TO COME?

When Dr. Naismith invented the game in 1891, he arbitrarily set the height of the basket at 10 feet and there it has remained. In basketball's early days short men threw the ball at the basket.

Now, big men, with their heads in the rafters, must be expert bombardiers.

The game is now played for tall men. It is hardly an excercise in agility, but at times, comes down to adding the total height of the starting five to decide the winner

SEVEN-FOOTERS

Approximately 100 seven-footers will be playing college basketball this season in the United States. Nebraska will look at an example of the BIG MAN this season: Kansas State's 7'1" Nick Pino. He is an excellent rebounder and scorer, by which good basketball players are judged. He is clumsy.

He will lead Kansas State against tiny Nebraska. If Kansas State does beat Nebraska this year, it will largely be due to Nick Pino's efforts

DOMINATING BUT NO TALENT

Coach Jack McCloskey of Wake Forest commented, "Basketball is unique in this respect - I don't know another sport where a player can be so dominating and actually lack talent."

The solution to the problem, under consideration by many collegiate coaches, is the 12-foot basket. Big men with talent would not be serverly penalized.

A NEW GAME

Pressed by the skills of the little man, a higher hoop would force big men to learn the game again. Scoring would depend more on outside shooting ability; the basket would simply be farther away.

Of course, there are many coaches and other interested people who oppose the change. Those teams which have a history of tall men would like to see the basket kept at its present height. Notre Dame' coach Johnny Dee, has two 6'9" freshmen on his squad and complains that the game would be like water polo.

For some reason, UCLA's coach opposes the 12-foot basket. Who wouldn't with Lew Alcindor on your side and a national title in your back pocket. TEST GAMES

Numerous experimental games have been played with the 2-foot higher basket in this country. From these games, it has been proven that shooting percentages would vary little.

The men who would benefit the most would be in the 6'3" to 6'7" range. The game would be faster and possibly better.

redshirted Coyotes as the hot-handed sophomore banged in 10 of Nebraska's first 14 points as South Dakota stunned the Huskers 17-10

But a 56 point second half and a low 31 points by the Coyotes gave Nebraska its second victory against no losses

Combined with the 111 points scored against California State Monday night, the 94 tallies against South Dakota have boosted Nebraska into a 102.5 scoring average

BALANCED

The Huskers received balanced scoring as four starters hit in double figures.

Bob Gratopp, a 6'4" center, hit 10 points in the first 20 minute stanza and scored 11 more to finish as the game's top scorer with 21 points.

Scantlebury, who pushed in 15 points in the first half and rested the second, finished with 17 tallies, while Tom Baack found the bullseve the second half and tallied 16 points.

After hitting an ice cold

34 per cent from the field in

the first half on 14 of 41 at-

tempts, Nebraska hit 23 of

duction

Stuart Lantz also hit two figures with a 15 point pro-ICE COLD

westward as they meet Washington State at Pullman Friday and Saturday night.

The Cougars, who placed second behind NCAA champion UCLA a year ago in the AAWU field has a front line averaging 6'8"

straight for the North Central Conference Covotes. who dropped earlier games to Iowa State 103-54 and to Minnesota Gonhers 85-52.

BOX SCORE

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finished with a respectable 43 per cent shooting mark. Plagued by 23 turnovers, the Coyotes ended with a 40 per cent shooting performance with 27 scores in 66 tries. The smaller Huskers gathered in 49 rebounds with Lantz and Gratopp leading the way with 12

grabs, while South Dakota's 6'6'' center Gary Prink hauled in 14 of the Coyote's 36 rebounds. The 5.325 Coliseum onlookers saw Nebraska rebound from a 17-10 deficit and begin walking a way when Gratopp sank six fielders as the Huskers zoomed

into a 38-30 intermission advantage

QUICK BUCKETS

Three quick buckets by Gratopp, and one each by Lantz and Scantlebury bullied Nebraska into a 14 point bulge to all but seal the victory from the Vermillion men.

high scorer, who impressed the crowd. The 6'4" forward hit on seven lengthy fielders for 14 points. The Huskers committed just 13 personal fouls holding the northerners to a mere 7 of 13 performance

from the charity stripe for a .538 marksmanship average.

The game see-sawed around a 20 point Nebraska

cushion until Ron Simmons,

a 6'0" guard hit a jump

shot with 3:40 left, starting

an 11-2 Husker streak be-

While the Coyotes were

paced by Prink who scored

16 points and played an aggressive game, it was swift

Jack Theeler, who will un-

doubtedly end his career at

Vermillion as the all time

South Dakota University

fore the gun sounded.

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FOULS

Nebraska took advantage of 20 of 26 free shots for a

As in the California State rout, coach Joe Cipriano substituted freely, sending 12 Huskers into action and

all but two scored.

769 grade.

The Huskers, will carry their 102.5 scoring average



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could be contributed to California State's becoming tired.

"We got to play more players than they did," he explained. GOOD CROWD

Besides the record-scor-

Potter Recruiting In L.A.

Freshman basketball coach Glenn Potter was scheduled to leave Wednesday morning on a recruiting tour of the Los Angeles area.

He will join the Husker varsity team Sunday and fly with them to Honolulu, Hawaii where the Huskers have games scheduled against the University of Hawall Dec. 11 and 13, and a Dec. 15 date with a U.S. Service Team.

During Potter's absence former Husker cager Frank Empkey, now a graduate assistant, will coach the frosh.

Nebraska's freshman won't see action until the new year when they meet the Kansas State Wildcats at Manhattan Jan. 9.

Cipriano Picks KU **To Repeat**

Nebraska basketball coach Joe Cipriano has tabbed Kansas to repeat as Big Eight kings because "it returns four of last year's top five and gains talent from its freshman ranks."

"The conference should be as scrapme ever and with a couple of new coaches (at Missouri and Oklahoma) it should be more than interesting," he said.

Kansas plays host to the nationally-rated Louisville quintet Wednesday at Law-rence's Allen Field House.



Wagner (20) while Cal State's Jon Thompson (23) guards him as Huskers Fred Hare (30) and Ken

Cauble (50) watch action.

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all but three scored Sophomore Tom Scantle-

bury tied Gratopp for high scorer with 18 points. HIT 42 PER CENT

Seniors Tom Baack, Fred Hare and Stuart Lantz, and junior Roger Leitner also scored in double figures.

The smaller Nebraska team outrebounded the Titans 43-35, (Hare pulled down 13), while nudging them in shooting, 42 per cent to 41 per cent.

California State was also credited with 24 turnovers while Nebraska committed

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fga-4 Howe 51 Christian 3-8 Thompson 4-1 Myers 2-6 La Fond 1-4 See 3-6 Holliday 2-5 Holliday 2-5 Holliday 1-3 Tetals 29-7 Nebraska Cal State	1 1-3 2 3-1 1-5 2 6-8 2-3	rb 58503026331181		411174626782 7411 174	(Ray) because he works hard and that's one of the keys to defense." Potter said. Although the 6'5" 225- pound Parson, who hails from Uniontown, Pa., led the Indians with 22 points, he was contained when Bry-
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Frosh Clobber McCook 93-67

Tom Bryan's shooting an covered him and rebounding helped Ne-

braska's freshmen to an

opening 93-67 victory over

the McCook Junior College

The 6'5" forward scored

20 points and hauled down

23 rebounds as the fresh-

man rebounded from a 98-

67 trouncing the Husker

varsity handed them last

"We knew he was a bet-

Friday

Indians Monday night.

"I got most of my points on offensive rebounds." Bryan said," and I think I only shot about six times from the outside.

Besides Bryan, Potter said 6'7" center Leroy Chalk, who pulled down a team-leading 15 rebounds, did "an excellent rebounding job.

NEBRASKA

With Chalk's 12 points and guard Cliff Moller's 13

points, the frosh raced to a 47-30 halftime advantage, increased the cushion to 7047 with 9:42 left to play before finally settling with the final 26 point decision.

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