



Coming off a 24-9 dual win over Northwest Missouri State University Wednesday, the UNL wrestlers will travel to Columbia, Mo., for a dual meet with the University of Missouri Saturday.

## sports

### 12 freshmen on squad Indoor track season opens

UNL's indoor track team opens its season Saturday against host Kansas and Southern Illinois.

Coach Frank Sevigne will take a 22-man squad including 12 freshmen and seven sophomores. Team captain Steve Jepsen is the only senior on the Husker roster.

Sevigne denied one newspaper report that the outlook for the Huskers is not bright. Because the team is so young, he said, he doesn't know what to expect.

#### Tough meet

"We've got a lot of young guys and they've looked good in practice, but how they'll compete is another matter," Sevigne said. "We couldn't open with a tougher meet than this one so we're going to find out in a hurry."

The triangular will be the second meet of the year for four Huskers. Harold Steilzer, Keith Whitaker, Matt Reckmeyer and Chris Grieb teamed up to finish fifth in a six-team, two-mile relay field to the National Invitational Indoor

Track Meet Jan. 10 at the University of Maryland.

Sevigne said Reckmeyer and Grieb "have been looking exceptionally good." He also praised quarter-milers Chuck Malito and Tom Dovel and high jumper Dean Herzog.

Malito is one of three football players on the Husker team. Ron Nitzel will compete in both hurdle events Saturday and Mike Thompson will be the Huskers' entry in the 60-yard dash.

#### Entering shot put

Husker captain Jepsen placed second in the discus at the Big 8 outdoor meet last year. Although the discus is not an indoor event, Jepsen will enter the shot put for the first time Saturday, joining letterman Steve Millard and Joe Kessell.

The meet will be a homecoming for high jumper Herzog, a native of Lansing, Kan. Last year the 5 ft. 10 in. freshman set a national prep record of 7 ft. 1 1/2 in.

The Huskers will compete in the Michigan State Relays next Saturday.

## UNL to face Tigers; trying to tie '67 mark

by Pete Wegman

In 1967 the Nebraska Cornhuskers won five of their first six Big 8 conference basketball games. Saturday, eight years later, the Huskers will be in Columbia, Mo., attempting to tie that mark.

The Huskers, 4-0 in conference play, will be facing the Missouri Tigers, 2-2, who are tied for third with Oklahoma State. Kansas State and Kansas, at 3-1, are each a game behind Nebraska.

Nebraska coach Joe Cipriano said he expects a rough game from the Tigers, much like Wednesday's game against Oklahoma State, and added that Missouri has a tradition of being a physical team.

"I know he (Missouri coach Norm Stewart) gives them helmets, but I'm not sure about sticks," Cipriano said.

A win Saturday for Missouri would equal the Tigers' conference win total of last season, when they finished 3-11. Known by many to be a team that starts fast and fades last in the season, Missouri has won the Big 8 Tournament three consecutive times previous to this season.

Missouri's 11-5 overall mark this season includes victories in their first six games last December. The Tigers finished fifth in the Big 8 Tournament, losing to Kansas State in the opening round, then defeating Colorado and Oklahoma (in double overtime).

A win Saturday for the defensive minded Huskers, also 11-5 overall, could vault them into the nation's top 20. Nebraska has allowed only 68 points per game and has held Big 8 foes to 63 points in seven contests (four regular season and three tournament games).

"Missouri proved what type a team they have by beating a talented Iowa State club at home," Cipriano said. Missouri defeated the Cyclones, 87-85 last Saturday and upended Oklahoma, 77-66, Wednesday.

Missouri returns one starter from last season's team which lost to Nebraska twice. He is guard Steve Dangos, who averaged 14.3 points last year and 14.6 this season. Dangos however, failed to score against the Sooners.

Guard Willie Smith, a transfer from Seminole (Oklahoma) Junior College, is averaging over 20 points a game to pace Missouri. Smith had a high point game of 37 against Oklahoma in the Big 8 Tournament.

Forward Jim Kennedy and center Bill Flamank each score about 14 points a game for Missouri while forward Kim Anderson is the team's leading rebounder with a 8.6 average.

Nebraska has a chance for a national ranking Saturday, while Missouri, with a win, can move into contention in the Big 8 race.

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## sports shorts

Entries are due today from anyone interested in the UNL men's intramural swimming and diving tournament, Wednesday.

Contact the Intramurals and Recreation Office 1740 Vine

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A woman's intramural round robin basketball tournament is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 17. Entries are due Feb. 12 at the Intramurals and Recreation Office.

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Play also begins Wednesday in the Co-Rec Volleyball tournament. Schedules and times are available at the Intramurals and Recreation Office.

## Weekend to be busy for women athletes

By Becky Morgan

Hosting Creighton University tonight will be the women's basketball squad, and the female gymnasts will take on Emporia of Kansas Saturday afternoon.

Also set for action Saturday are the women swimmers. They will travel to Ames for a double dual meet with Iowa State and Missouri.

Pat Sullivan, UNL swimming coach said she expects ISU to win the meet.

"They are strong in all free style events and one relay," she said, "plus they have one good diver."

UNL's strong events are expected to be the breast stroke, (Ruth Spencer and Mikki Crosby); diving, (Ginny Kincade and Nancy Dyke); backstroke, (Deb Peterson); and fly, (Crosby).

"We have good swimmers," Sullivan said, "but we lack the depth Iowa State possesses. We may also do well in the medley relay. We're fast, but it all depends upon how ISU stacks their best swimmers."

Coming off a 59-30 win over Kearney State College Tuesday night the women cagers will meet Creighton University for the first time this season tonight. The game will be in the gymnasium at the Women's Physical Education Bldg. (WPE) at 7 p.m.

UNL will start the game with a player-to-player defense according to Jan Callahan, women's basketball coach.

"Creighton is a mediocre team, and have their ups and downs. It will be important for us to play consistent ball," Callahan said.

"The team began to put things together Tuesday night," she said. "We tried some new post positions and they worked. Our fast break also worked well," she said.

Sherry Pink injured her right leg in the Kearney game, and probably will not be back in time for the Creighton contest, Callahan said.

The women's gymnastic team will host Emporia of Kansas in the WPE bldg. at 2 p.m. Saturday. They will be paced by senior all-around performer Peg Van Beek.

Van Beek won the floor exercise event and placed second in vaulting, balance beam and in all-around last week at South Dakota State.



Tonight the UNL women's basketball team will meet Creighton University at 7 p.m. in the Women's Physical Education Bldg. The women's record is 5-6 after beating Kearney, 59-39, Tuesday.

## NFL drafts 12 Huskers

When the National Football League draft ended Wednesday, 12 UNL football players had been chosen.

Going in the later rounds Wednesday were wingback Ritch Bahe in the fourteenth round to the St. Louis Cardinals and offensive guards Dennis Pavelka and Stan Hegner to Washington and Pittsburg, respectively.

Hegner was the last player to go in the draft. He said he and his wife laughed when they first

heard about it, but he was glad to be selected.

Other Husker players chosen were quarterback David Humm, wingback Don Westbrook, guards Mark Doak and Tom Alward, tackle Marvin Crenshaw, defensive back Ardell Johnson and linebackers Tom Ruud, Bob Nelson and John Starkebaum.

The only Husker starting seniors not chosen in the draft were defensive back George Kyros and defensive end Tom Pate.