

Trackman Allen gets more chances to test shoes

By Jim Hunt

Transferring to UNL from the University of Texas-El Paso (UTEP) might be the best thing that has happened to runner Steve Allen.

"I ran an 8:56 two-mile," Allen said. "That's comparable to many people in the country, yet I wasn't getting to run down at UTEP. It seemed like there was always someone just a little better than I was."

In 1974, when Allen was a high school senior, UTEP was the NCAA cross country and indoor track champion and finished second in the outdoor championship.

"When I went to UTEP I just looked at the running, not the academics," Allen said. "UNL has a much better academics than UTEP."

Allen said the atmosphere at UNL is better than at UTEP. Most athletes at UTEP were world class athletes and were very touchy, he said.

"El Paso was the best situation I could have run into,"

Allen said. "It showed me what world-class athletes are like.

"On the other hand, it showed me that high school athletes need to have a little extra help when they come out of high school. They didn't give me that help at UTEP."

Allen said the coaches at UNL are more encouraging than at UTEP. Allen's times have improved and he said he thinks he could go back to El Paso and run with the best now.

Allen, who has nine pairs of running shoes, said there is a shoe to fit every race. If a runner isn't comfortable in a pair of shoes, he will blister easily, Allen said.

Allen said he is disappointed that UNL doesn't put more emphasis on cross country.

"But I'm glad UNL sets its priorities. You just can't run cross country, indoor track and outdoor track well."

Most athletes only run well two of the three seasons, he said.

Allen said he tries to peak for the outdoor track season. The outdoor track season is longer and there is more of a chance to travel, he said.

Allen and the rest of the Husker cross country team will be in action Saturday at Pioneers Park when they run against the Iowa State University (ISU) Cyclones.

ISU, picked by the Big 8 Conference coaches to finish second this year, enters the dual undefeated. The Cyclones are 4-0 in dual competition and also have won their own invitational meet.

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The Lincoln Track Club is sponsoring a five-mile handicap run at 11 a.m. Saturday in Interstate Park (just off Adams and 5th Streets). In the race, slower runners will get a head start of up to 12 minutes.

Registration forms are available in Oldfather Hall 825. For additional information, call Jim Lewis at 472-3731 or 489-4130.

The Lincoln Parks and Recreation Dept. is sponsoring a free hunter safety course Nov. 1 through 3 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the shelter in Van Dorn Park, 9th and Van Dorn Streets. Interested students should pre-register by 4:30 p.m. today at the Parks and Recreation office, 475-6734.

The women's field hockey team plays the University of Kansas today at 3 p.m. in Lawrence. The team will play Emporia State University Saturday at 11 a.m. in Emporia, Kansas.

UNL's soccer team beat York College 5-3 Tuesday in York. The game was tied 3-3 after regulation play. Oscar Carcamo scored both of UNL's overtime goals. Team captain Dave Egr scored twice in regulation play and Victor Bishop added the other Husker goal.

The team's next action is Sunday when the Huskers collide with the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

No personal goals for UNL cager; Siegel stresses team's organization

Husker basketball forward Bob Siegel said he has set no personal goals this season.

"Team goals are more important," Siegel said. "We have to organize as a team, win as a team and have fun as a team. Right now we just have to get organized."

Siegel, a 6 ft. 7 in., 215 lbs. senior from Fairbury, has started the past two seasons for the Huskers.

"I came into practice with the attitude of giving the best I can," Siegel said. "I hope I can just give it my best shot and make everyone happy."

Husker head basketball coach Joe Cipriano said Siegel has improved every year.

"Bob has lost some weight this year," Cipriano said. "He comes back in better shape every year. He knows what we expect of him now."

Last season, Siegel started all 27 games as the Huskers recorded a 19-8 record, third best in the school's history. Siegel was the third leading Husker scorer, averaging 10.4

points a game, and the second leading rebounder, averaging 5.9 rebounds a game.

Siegel's single game highs last year were 21 points against the University of Missouri in the Huskers 95-84 loss to the Tigers in Columbia and 13 rebounds against South Dakota, a 72-59 Husker victory in Lincoln.

"Siegel is a very strong, physical player," Cipriano said. "He doesn't have as many offensive moves as some players but is an excellent outside shooter."

Siegel said he has to improve on leadership, ball handling, defense and scoring to become a more complete ball player.

"Defense is always something a player can improve on," he said.

As a team the Huskers haven't jelled yet, Siegel noted.

"We might start to jell in the next few days," he said. "We haven't been concentrating on fundamentals and playing together as a team, and that's what it takes to be successful."

crossword puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Jazz devotee
- 7 Stutz models
- 15 Bird of Baltimore
- 16 Non-favorite
- 17 Sam and Tom
- 18 Little and Junior
- 19 Insect egg
- 20 Footnote abbr.
- 22 Prefix for Arthur or Donald
- 23 Relative of dem and dose
- 25 Cider gal
- 27 Mortgages
- 31 "Praise —!"
- 35 "Thanks —"
- 36 Wealthy big shot
- 39 Cow
- 41 Caucasian language
- 42 Hindu group of deities
- 44 Building wing
- 45 One who abridges books
- 47 Existing
- 49 Russian city
- 50 Processed meat
- 52 Hebrew weights
- 54 Abbr. in a boarding-house ad
- 55 Simpleton
- 59 Even if, for short
- 61 Ornery
- 64 Donate, in Scotland
- 65 City near Havana
- 69 Take another vote
- 71 Of an Austrian area
- 72 Louisiana native
- 73 Hen-coop site
- 74 Frank

- 3 Ancient Britons
- 4 Mountain gap
- 5 Nautical position
- 6 Acid or high
- 7 English hero of fiction
- 8 Chemical suffix
- 9 Bede or 12
- 10 Majestic
- 11 Carp of Europe
- 12 Lime or lemon
- 13 "High —"
- 14 Certain medic: Abbr.
- 21 Be sickly
- 24 Relative of 20 Across
- 26 Brazilian people
- 28 "That's someone —" (not mine)
- 29 Coward et al.
- 30 Mode
- 32 Radio buffs
- 33 Les — Units
- 34 Old Greek festival
- 36 Chinese art piece

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- 38 Lily or shark
- 40 Phoned
- 43 Nigh
- 46 Joy
- 48 Brain-wave test: Abbr.
- 51 Compass point
- 53 Like certain rocks
- 56 "— time was had by all"

- 57 —the-wisp
- 58 Genesis man
- 60 —cat (game)
- 62 Roguish
- 63 Emperor
- 65 Attack craft: Abbr.
- 66 Brahman title
- 67 Hickory-stick initials
- 68 Swiss river
- 70 Teacher's —

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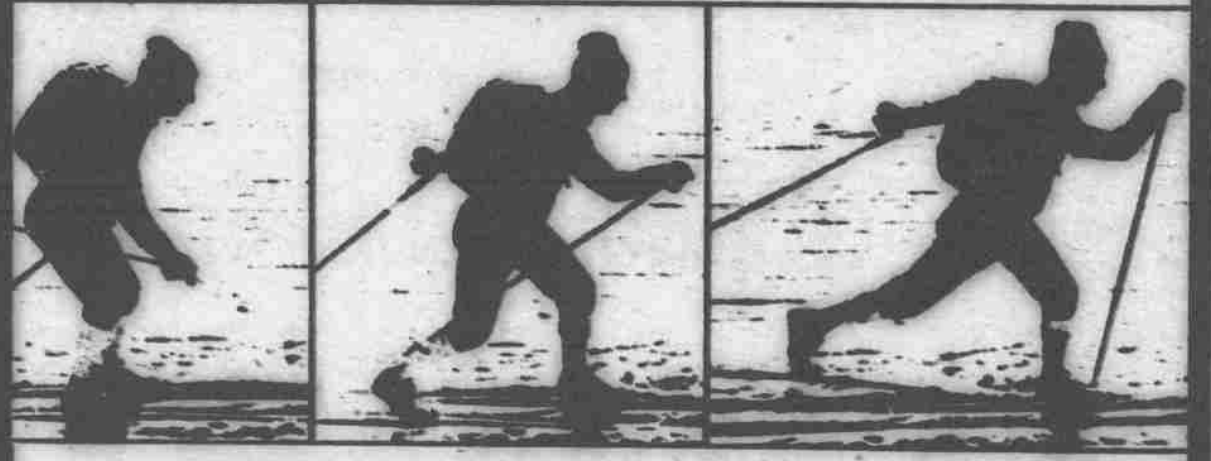
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