

# Sports

## Huskers defeat Cowboys; advance to semi-finals

By Cindy Gardner and Larry Sparks

Nebraska advanced to the semi-finals of the Big Eight basketball tournament with a 60-49 win against Oklahoma State Tuesday night in the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

"It was a good win for us," Nebraska Coach Moe Iba said. "We played with enthusiasm. That's the only way we can play."

The Huskers opened up a 6-2 lead early in the first half. Oklahoma State answered by moving ahead 17-12 with 12:31 left in the half.

The score was tied four times in the last nine minutes of the half before Oklahoma State took a 26-24 halftime advantage.

"We didn't play very well in the first half. We did better in practice than we did in the first half defensively," Iba said.

Jack Moore opened second half scoring before the Cowboys went up by four, 34-30 with 15:55 remaining.

The Huskers fought back and moved ahead, 38-36 with a Ray Collins jumper at the 12:13 mark. Collins led the Huskers with 17.

Nebraska opened up a 48-40 lead on a

Moore to Terry Smith alley-oop with 6:50 remaining. Oklahoma State could only come within six points in the final seven minutes.

"We just played hard. That was the difference in the ball game," Iba said.

Collins was joined in double figures by Lenard Johnson with 10. Claude Renfro scored nine and Moore ended his home career with eight points, including a 4-4 performance from the freethrow line.

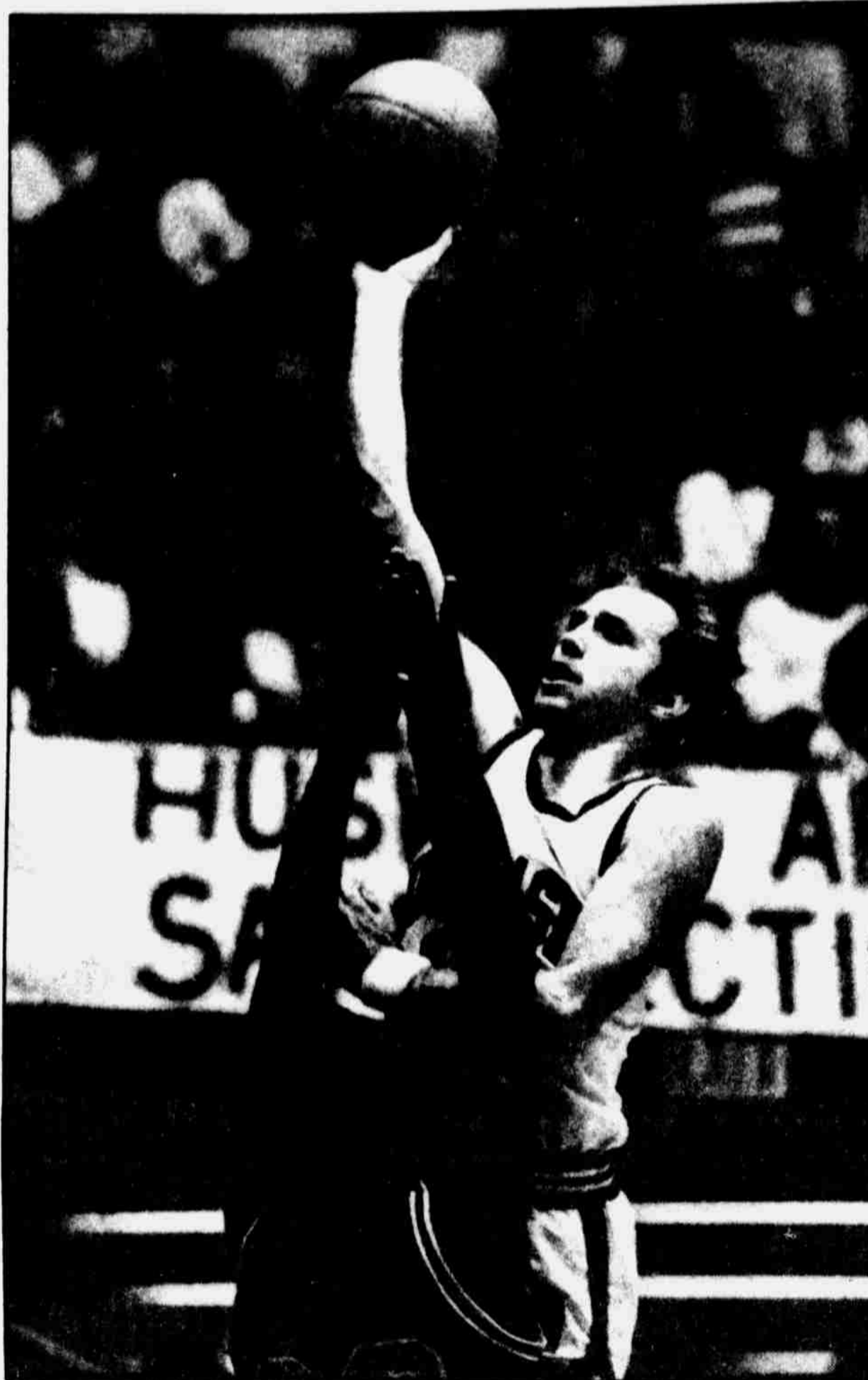
"Everybody played well," Iba said. "Lenard really played a good ball game, defensively and offensively."

The Huskers will meet Missouri at 7:10 p.m. Friday at Kemper Arena in Kansas City. The Tigers advanced to the semi-finals by beating Colorado 72-60.

"I'm sure that they (Missouri) have respect for us," Iba said. "We're going to have to play an awfully smart game against them."

Tickets for the semi-final and championship game will be on sale today only at the Nebraska Athletic Ticket Office, South Stadium 117, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Huskers advance to 16-11 with the win. In the other semi-final game Friday, Oklahoma will meet Kansas State.



Husker Jack Moore puts up a shot at the end for the first half. Moore was 4-4 in free-throws in Tuesday night's Big Eight playoff game.

Photo by Dave Bentz

## Illinois game to close season for women's basketball team

By Ward W. Triplett II

When the final buzzer sounds tonight at the Bob Devaney Sports Center, it will be the end of roller coaster season for the Nebraska women's basketball team. The 13-17 Huskers play host to a 21-7 Illinois squad at 7:30 p.m.

"Illinois has already beaten Long Beach this year," Coach Colleen Matsuhara said. The 49ers defeated the Huskers 110-71 in Long Beach.

"They are a very tough, experienced ball team. They were the runner-up in the Big 10 tournament, so we know we're going to have our hands full," Matsuhara said.

The Huskers are coming off a 1-2 road swing, which saw them defeat 16-6 Notre Dame 94-84 in double overtime, then lose to Northwestern, 89-64, and DePaul 84-64.

"Notre Dame was a very good game for us," Matsuhara said. "They came in with the second-best defensive average in the nation, and the 94 points we scored I believe was the best against them all year," she said.

DePaul led the Huskers by only four at halftime, but made 22 of 32 free throws compared with the Huskers eight of 15 to help pull away in the second half.

Tonight's game also will be the final game for 6-2 Janet Smith, the tallest Nebraska player and four-year letterwinner who will leave with the all-time rebounding record. Smith has 1,268 rebounds.

"In a way it's sad, but in another way I'm glad about it," said Smith, who was named to the regional all-academic team.

Smith said that the 1981-82 team, though not as successful as her three previous teams, is a closer team, and the quality of its players has changed.

"When I first came here, playing basketball was just like a job," Smith said. "Now it's a lot more fun. Now it's a joy to go and play everyday."

Smith is averaging 8.5 points and 9.3 rebounds per game this season, and shares the single-game scoring record of 34 points with Debra Powell. She also has six other single-game records, including most rebounds in a game, 25.

"I've accomplished everything in basketball that I wanted," Smith said. "One of my goals coming here was to improve every season, and I think I've done that. I've grown as a person and a player here, and I think it's all been worth it. It's been very satisfying."

Smith is considering an offer to play basketball in Italy, so Illinois may not be the last game she plays.

"I played on a Christian basketball team that toured Europe this summer, and another girl and I were asked if we would consider playing professionally over there," she said.

"It would be a good opportunity for me to go. It would be nice just to forget school and go out and have a good time," she said.

## Sports Shorts

Nebraska guard Jack Moore was named to the all-Big Eight basketball team Monday by United Press International.

Joining Moore on the all-conference team were Ricky Frazier and Jon Sunvold of Missouri, Chuck Barnett of Oklahoma and David Magley of Kansas.

Moore was named to the Associated Press team earlier in the season.

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Ralph Sampson of Virginia was the only player named a second time in two years to the all-American basketball team announced Tuesday by the United States Basketball Writers Association.

Joining Sampson on the team were James Worthy and Sam Perkins of North Carolina, Terry Cummings of DePaul, Kevin Magee of California-Irvine, Dale Ellis of Tennessee, Ricky Pierce of Rice, Eric Floyd of Georgetown, Paul Pressey of Tulsa and Bill Garnett of Wyoming.

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Radio station KRNU has announced it will have live coverage of several home Husker baseball games this season. The first will be a March 25 double-header against North Dakota State.

## Broadcaster enjoys job that started as gimmick

By Scott Ahlstrand

A gimmick tried by an Omaha television station gave Ann Schatz the chance to be the city's only female sportscaster.

"I was hired because I was a woman and it would be a nice gimmick to have me read sports for the station," Schatz, a 2-year veteran at KMTV, said Tuesday. "At the time, the station was third in the ratings and had nothing to lose. I was unemployed and gimmick or not, I wasn't about to turn down the job."

Her talk was sponsored by the Women's Resource Center and Student Y.

"I've worked hard at my trade and I hope that I've lost some of the newness from being the first woman sportscaster," she said. "I like being acknowledged for being just a sportscaster and not as a woman sportscaster."

Schatz said that being accepted as a sportscaster has been difficult.

"There are times when I'm the only woman out on the playing field and I can't expect them to treat me just like one of the boys," Schatz said. "It's like I'm barging into a little male universe that's nice and neat. A lot of coaches and athletes don't know how to react to me. I think now they're getting used to me."

Schatz said while the field of sportscasting is challenging, it is also quite satisfying.

"The pressure really starts to build on you," she said. "There have been times when I'm dressing and editing right up to the minute before I go on the air."

"The field has just skyrocketed for women," Schatz said. "Ten years ago you never saw any women in either sports or news. Now there are lots of opportunities for women."

Schatz said that she would like to do some play-by-play broadcasting in the future. She is sure that she wants to stay in sports.

"I've never touched news in my life," Schatz said. "I don't think I could deal with all of the nasty things like murder, a bad economy and unemployment. The economy in sports is just fine. You get to see people transform physical action into tremendously skillful movements. The only negative aspects you deal with are the losers. And they realize that it's just a game, so they're usually not too bad to deal with."

Being on television affects the way a lot of people act around you, Schatz said.

"TV tends to glamorize you in other people's minds," Schatz said. "It's unreal how crazy people will act around a television personality. It's the only thing I really hate about my job."