

Creighton success leads to Bluejays' tourney invitation

By Stu Pospisil

Creighton's basketball renaissance has been rewarded with the Omaha school's first post-season tournament appearance in three seasons.

The Bluejays, who finished with a 17-13 record after their first two losing seasons since 1978-83, host Nebraska in Thursday night's first round of the National Invitation Tournament.

Creighton, which finished in the Missouri Valley Conference cellar last season, came within a half-court shot Saturday of defeating Tulsa for the league title and a NCAA tournament berth.

The Bluejays advanced to the MVC championship game defeating Bradley and NCAA contestant Illinois State, the latter losing at home for the first time in two seasons.

Vernon Moore, Willis Reed's first recruit as coach, Benoit Benjamin and Gregory Brandon have revived Creighton's fortunes.

Each averages 15 points or more per game, and the 7-0 Benjamin and Brandon rank among the Division I rebounding leaders.

Moore's field goal accuracy has improved from 41.2 percent as a freshman to 60.0 this season as a junior.

"Last year, we had too many freshmen, and that caused us to be unstable," Reed said. "That extra year of maturity these guys now have should make a big difference for us."

Nebraska defeated Creighton 65-58 in December as Dave Hoppen outscored "Big Ben" 27-10. The Bluejays then won seven of its next nine games, losing only to DePaul (in overtime) and Illinois State.

With a 9-3 record Creighton then slipped to a 12-11 mark, losing six road games and two at home (to Dayton and Tulsa, both in the NCAA field).

Creighton's homecourt success, winning 13 of 17 games played on the Omaha Civic Auditorium floor, could present problems for Nebraska.

Other NIT first-round games include: Old Dominion at Notre Dame, Georgia at Tennessee-Chatanooga, Lamar at New Mexico, Southwest Louisiana at Utah State, Florida at South Alabama, St. Peter's at Tennessee, Ohio State at Xavier, Florida State at North Carolina State, Marquette at Iowa State, Georgia Tech at Virginia Tech, Wichita State at Michigan, Santa Clara at Oregon, Fordham at Weber State, Boston College at St. Josephs, and Pittsburgh at La Salle.



Centers Dave Hoppen of Nebraska and Benoit Benjamin of Creighton battle for position in a game earlier this season. Thursday night, Hoppen will try to make it three in a row for the Huskers against Big Ben and the Bluejays.

Letter

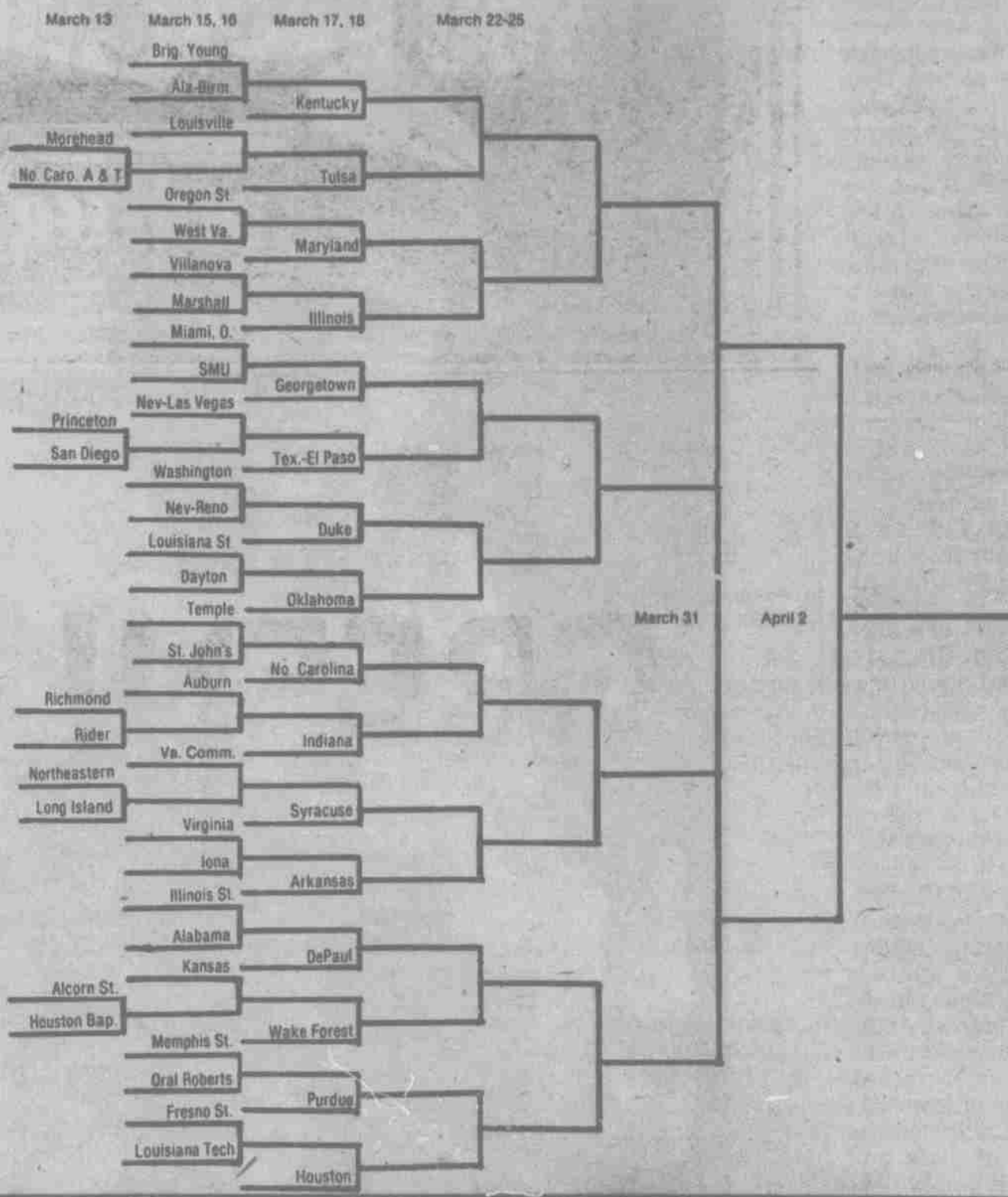
Just wanted to let you know that I feel the people of Nebraska should be mighty proud of Moe Iba. He has great knowledge of the game, is a winner and should have support from all the Big Red fans in attempting to get Nebraska into the winner's circle. He knows more hoops than I will ever know and is a genuine credit to the game.

As for me, I find it hilarious to read that a couple of your students were promoting me to coach if Moe were to say bye bye. Believe me, you have the better man in Moe and I am extremely happy coaching on TV with ESPN where I am undefeated.

Best wishes and once again tell the Big Red fans to get behind Moe 100 percent as he certainly deserves their support. I hope some day we can look at the top 20 and see Nebraska as one of the teams.

Dick Vitale
ESPN

NCAA Tournament Pairings



Rec Scoreboard

Andre Smith scored 15 points and John McLaughlin added 14 as Norgas won the all-university intramural basketball championship, 52-47, against The Shrooms Sunday night at the Coliseum.

The game was a rematch of the Independent A League championship game earlier this season. Norgas won that game by one point. Norgas finished the season undefeated.

Sunday's game was tied at 21 at halftime, but Norgas, behind the shooting of Smith, McLaughlin and John Pflug, pulled away to lead by as many as six points before securing the final margin.

Three Shroom players fouled out of Sunday's game including leading scorer Nate Udofia. Udofia finished with 11 points.

UNL's Office of Campus Recreation is trying to arrange a game between Norgas and the University of Nebraska-Omaha's intramural champion for later this year, Director of Intramurals Kenda Scheele said.

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474-0014
Mr. Pfeifer

Children's Counselors Activity Instructors, Cook, Kitchen Manager, Kitchen Help for Mountain Summer Camp. P.O. Box 711, Boulder, Colorado 80306. (303) 442-4567.

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announcements

University 4-H
Important meeting TONIGHT! Elections, raffle drawing and group picture. Please attend. (We brought Paul back, but who has Paula?)

South Padre Island
March 24-31
8 days/7 nights, \$98.
We still have room, so hurry and sign up! Todd, 475-0022.

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ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATION
There will be a meeting this Thursday, March 15th at 3:30 p.m. in CBA 106. Everyone is welcome.

KAPPA SIGMA STARDUSTERS
Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.
Royal Grove
STREETS
MANDATORY

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Another major concert event!
Thursday, March 15, 1984
Royal Grove
STREETS
Featuring Steve Walsh

COLLEGE YOUNG DEMOCRATS

Nominations and elections of officers Thursday in the City Union at 7:00.

AZ SCHOLARSHIPS
Scholarship applications for sophomores and students are available in 101 Ag. Hall. Application deadline is April 16!

Recreation Majors
March 14th: Trends Workshop
Early registration due.
March 18th: Dinner and meeting at Spaghetti Works, 5:00 p.m.
March 22nd: Trends Workshop.

SDA-LDA Joint Meeting
Wednesday, March 14, 7:30 p.m., Home Ec. 31
— Program on Weight Control — Should be a very informative meeting!

GOLDEN TURKEY
Film Festival
March 15, 7:00 p.m.
Nebraska East Union

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