

# Free throws . . .

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Benjamin joined the skirmish, and Curtis Moore soon followed. Benjamin and Moore had to be separated by officials.

In the second half, with NU leading 44-40, Hoppen went up for a shot, but CU's Karlas Gripado hit the big center across the arms, preventing the basket. Hoppen gave Gripado a two-handed shove, which knocked the Bluejay forward back a few feet. The officials promptly gave Hoppen a technical.

"I shouldn't have done that," Hoppen said later. "But I didn't feel he was going for the ball. He was just trying to hit me as hard as he could on the arms."

Aside from the two incidents, both teams played a hard, clean game. Creighton took the early lead, going up by four, 16-12, with 13:28 left in the first half. Nebraska stormed back behind Hoppen and Moore to take a 21-16 lead, but Creighton regained the edge at 22-21 on two free throws by Benjamin with 9:55 left.

Hoppen then took charge for Nebraska, scoring six of the game's next eight points. He drove past Benjamin for a slam-dunk that gave NU a 27-24 advantage. Nebraska's Moore shook the backboards again a minute later when he drove past Benjamin for another

other dunk to make it 31-24. Nebraska held the lead the rest of the half, and went to the locker room with a 40-32 advantage. Benjamin scored the final eight points of the half for the Bluejays.

Nebraska scored the first two baskets of the second half to take a 44-32 lead, but Creighton wasn't finished. Creighton Coach Willis Reed installed a full-court zone trap press that caused several Husker turnovers and the Bluejays came back. Benjamin hit five straight points to give CU its only lead of the second half, 53-52 with 10:29 left.

Again the Huskers took charge, putting together a 13-2 run to lead 65-55 with 5:11 left. But Creighton again came back behind Benjamin and Vernon Moore to cut the lead to one, at 70-69, with 1:34 remaining. Free throws told the story from then on, as Nebraska hit eight straight to preserve the win.

"I think free throws were the difference," Vernon Moore said. "We missed a lot of front ends of one-and-ones."

Moore credited the full-court press for pulling his team back in the game, but he said the Huskers "maintained their composure real well."

Besides the press, Creighton pulled another surprise. The Blue-

jays played a zone defense. Curtis Moore said he was shocked to see the zone.

"We'll kill a zone team," Moore said.

Hoppen said he thought Creighton went to the zone to stop Curtis Moore.

"I don't think they felt they could guard Curtis," Hoppen said. "When he gets hot, he's unstoppable."

Of his duel with Benjamin, Hoppen said he wanted to play on even terms with the Creighton center.

"I just wanted to neutralize Big Ben," he said. "He's such a great player, there's no way I can stop him."

Benjamin said the loss took away any personal satisfaction he got from his performance.

"When you score a lot of points and lose, it doesn't mean much," Benjamin said. "But you just have to be a true sportsman and accept defeat."

Iba said he was pleased overall with Huskers performance. He said it was important for Nebraska to get a win on the road.

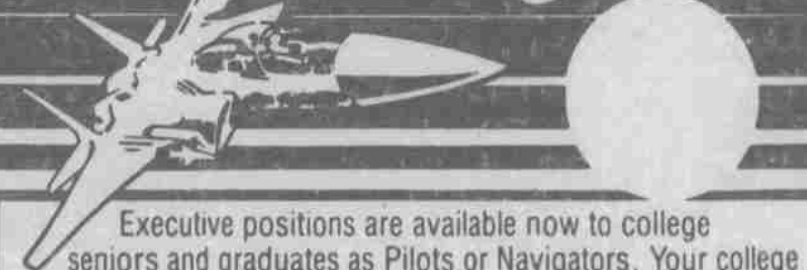
"This was a real big win for us, and I'm happy for our players," Iba said. "We were ready to play tonight."

Nebraska has won five straight against the Bluejays. The Huskers moved to 4-0 on the year, while Creighton dropped to 3-2.

## Setting it Straight

The first name of UNL bowler Sue Reed was cut from Friday's story on the UNL bowling team. Also, the first name of former bowler Marilyn Snook was misspelled. Also inadvertently cut from the story is the fact that Reed is the only returnee from last year's women's team and a quote from Rollie Hughes, bowling team adviser, that said Snook was the "major reason the team was able to do so well last year."

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### VOLLEYBALL

All-University  
Selleck 8300 B def. Phi Delta Theta B 15-17, 15-12, 15-13

Total Sound def. Acacia 15-11, 15-7

Loose Bladder Construction def. Beta Sigma Psi 15-5, 15-8

Total Sound def. Selleck 8300 15-7, 15-8

### INDOOR SOCCER

Don Ho's 7, Delta Tau Delta/Little Sisters 3

Phi Gamma Delta 3, Phi Psi 1

Delta Tau Delta/Little Sisters 5, Shemps 2

Notes — Claude Renfro won

the men's one-on-one basketball championship by defeating Andy Hunzecker of Sigma Phi Epsilon 22-14, 22-16. Deb Headley of the Gators won the women's one-on-one tournament by defeating Traci Thompson of Smith Ten 22-8, 22-10. In the finals of the co-rec tournament, Hunzecker teamed with Laurie Berkshire to beat Stan Campbell and Deb Headley 22-18, 22-15.

John Grafentin, an intramural staff assistant, was selected to officiate at the National Collegiate Flag Football Tournament in New Orleans.

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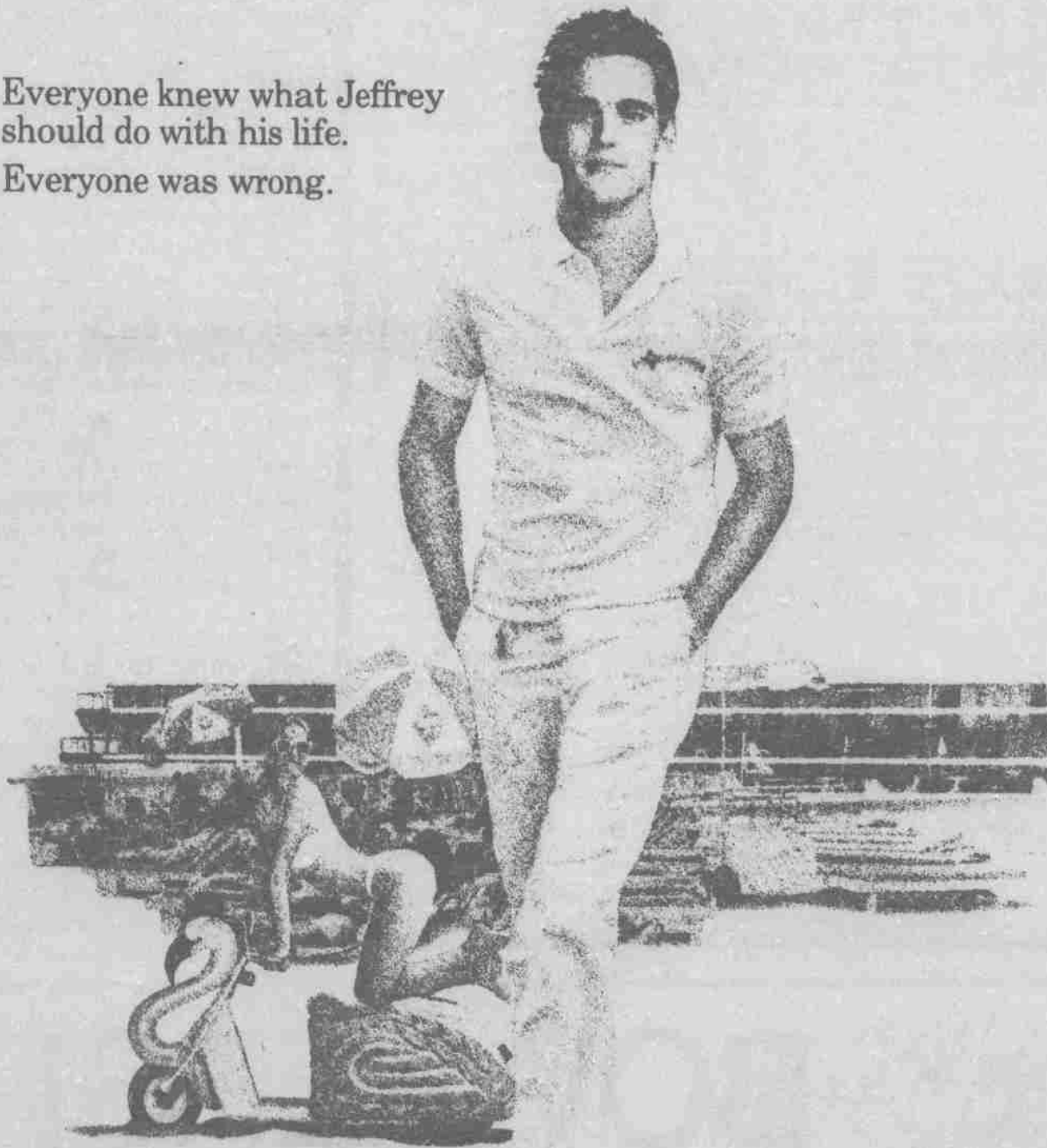
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