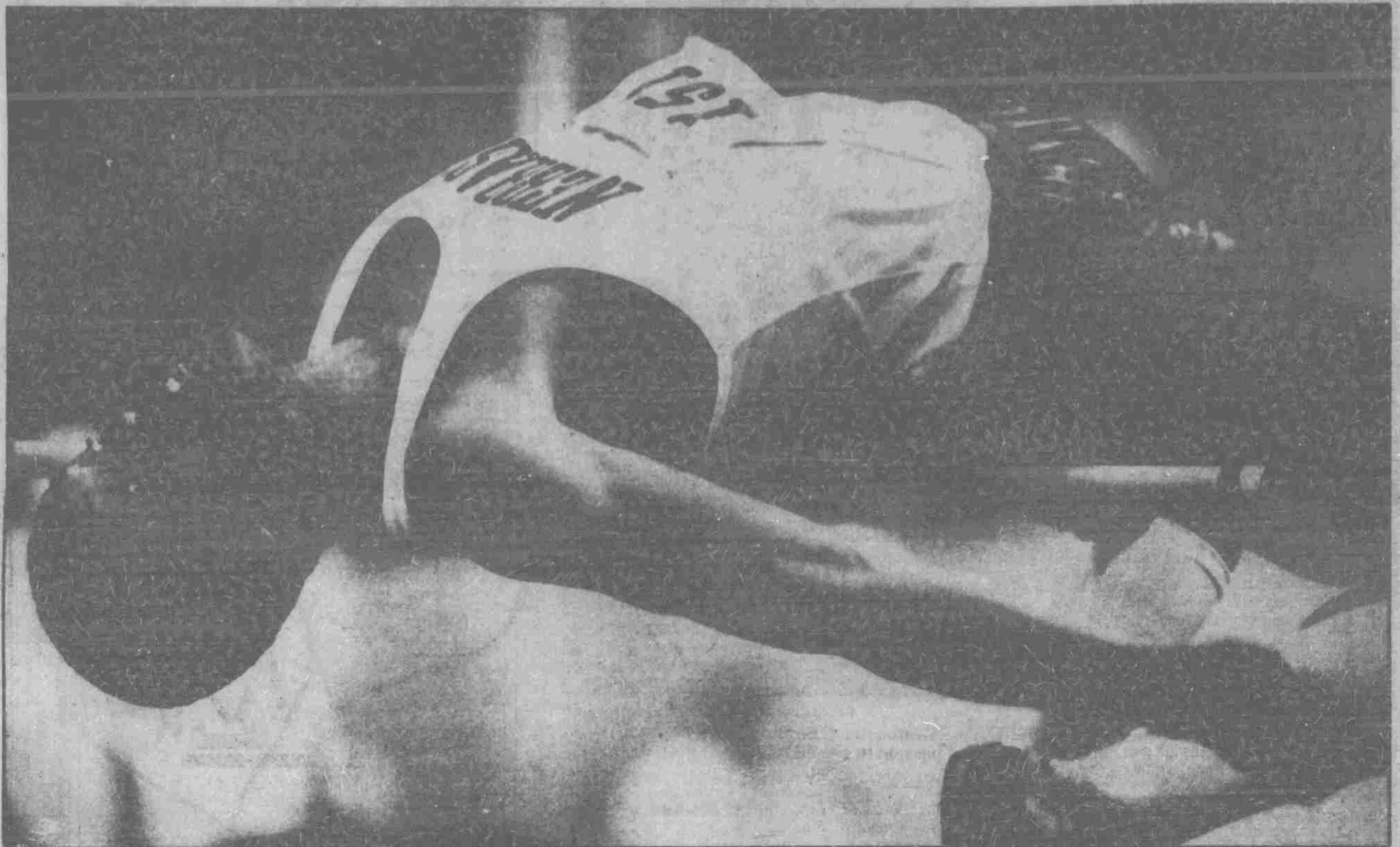


Sports



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High jumper Darren Burton gets over the bar during the Frank Sevine Husker Invitational Saturday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. Iowa State's Brian Tietjens won the event and a share of the meet's individual award

honors with a meet record leap of 7-5 1/2. Nebraska's Rhonda Blanford was named the outstanding woman athlete of the invitational.

Huskers face Buffalo momentum, vengeance

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What a difference a day makes.

After its first swing through the Big Eight conference schedule, the Colorado men's basketball team, Nebraska's opponent tonight in Boulder, was 1-6 and facing 16-6 Iowa State. But last Wednesday night in Boulder the fortunes of the Buffaloes may have turned with a two-point win against the Cyclones.

"I think the win over Iowa State has given us a lot of things," Colorado Coach Tom Apke said. "We'd been trying to get out of our slump and we'd been playing well, but we hadn't been rewarded with a win. The victory renewed

everybody's confidence. It's given the team a real lift."

Colorado played well in a two-point loss to Kansas Jan. 26 and in a road loss to Missouri Feb. 2. Apke said he thinks the Buffs still have a shot at finishing in the upper division of the Big Eight.

"That's been our goal all along," Apke said. "Every game becomes a critical one for us at this point."

Colorado held Nebraska's Dave Hoppen to 20 points in Nebraska's 85-67 win last month. Apke said it was important for the Buffaloes to hold Hoppen "in the 20s."

"We can't let him have a career against us," Apke said. "I thought we did a pretty good job

against him in the first half of the last game. What really hurt us in that game was the play of the other Nebraska starters. We've got to keep guys like (Bill) Jackman and (Harvey) Marshall from having big scoring nights."

Apke said he thinks his team will look for revenge against Nebraska.

"We're playing much better than we were a month ago," Apke said. "I'm sure our players will be ready for the game."

One player who was ready the first time was Alex Stivrins. The Lincoln East product scored 18 points in the game. Stivrins is the Buffaloes second-leading scorer behind Randy Downs and leads the Big Eight in rebounding with 12.1 per game.

Nebraska will start the same lineup it has the last two games — Hoppen at center, Curtis Moore and John Matzke at forward and guards Brian Carr and Marshall.

Besides Downs and Stivrins, Don Yowell will start at forward for Colorado. Tony Pruitt and Mike Reid will start at guard.

The Nebraska women's basketball team will try to snap a four-game losing streak when they play Colorado tonight before the men's game. Nebraska and Colorado are tied for sixth in the conference with 2-6 records. Colorado is 6-15 overall and Nebraska is 7-14.

Colorado's last game was 67-66 victory against Iowa State. Colorado's only other conference victory was against Nebraska in Lincoln.

Colorado has been helped in the second half of the season by the return of center Lisa Van Goor. The 6-3 senior is scoring 15.3 points per game and pulling down 7.8 rebounds.

All starters but Cathy Owen, who averages 9.9 points per game, are averaging in double figures for Nebraska in conference play. Debra Powell is scoring 15.5 points and Stacy Imming 15.6 points per game conference play. Other starters for Nebraska are Terri Parriott and Angie Miller.

Colorado starters are Patty Slighter and Lea Ann Banks at forward, Van Goor at center and guards Kris Holwerda and Erin Carson.

Cagers honored

Nebraska's Cathy Owen and Terri Parriott were named to the District VII All-Academic basketball team for the second consecutive year.

The Husker seniors were the leading vote-getters in the competition, sponsored by CoSIDA, and will advance with the rest of the District VII Team to the national ballot for academic All-American consideration.

Owen, a 5-6 guard from Ventura, Calif., averages 8.8 points a game and holds a 3.51 grade point average in business management.

Parriott, also a native of Ventura, averages 8.2 points and has a 3.75 GPA in pre-med.

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Dennis Wallace • Westmoreland, Jamaica

DENNIS WALLACE

"My role on the team is as a leader because I have to set an example with the way I compete and the way I train," Nebraska 400-yard dash runner Dennis Wallace said.

Wallace said being a member of the Jamaican Olympic team "increased my confidence to compete as hard as I can."

Collegiate: Wallace, a senior from Westmoreland, Jamaica, competed for the Jamaican National team at the 1984 Summer Olympics in the first heat of the 4x400 relay. He holds Nebraska's indoor record in the 200 with a 30.94 clocking and is 1/4 of a second from breaking the school record in the 200.

Wallace's best time in the 60 yard dash is 7.24. Wallace is a member of the distance relay team that recently qualified for the NCAA indoor nationals.

High school: Wallace was one of Nebraska's top recruits in 1981. At Cleveland College High, Wallace competed in the 200, the 400 intermediate hurdles and the 400. The 400 and the 200 were his specialty races. His best time in the 200 was 21.0 and 47.30 in the 400.

Personal: In his spare time Wallace said he likes to spend time with his fiancée Janet Wilson. He said track and school take up most of his time. Wallace is majoring in business administration.

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