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Scales, who tallied 44 points and seven steals in the tournament.

Missouri 46 44 — 90
Nebraska 41 41 — 82
At Kansas City, Mo.

Missouri—D. Smith 9-20 12-14 31, Coleman 2-9 9-12 13, Heller 2-5 1-2 5, Booker 6-11 0-0 16, Peeler 5-15 7-8 18, Warren 3-3 1-3 7, R. Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Burns 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-63 30-39 90.

Nebraska—Farmer 5-12 3-5 13, Reid 5-10 3-3 15, King 7-12 6-8 20, Moody 3-6 1-2 7, Scales 5-14 0-0 10, Owens 1-2 0-0 2, Hayes 3-5 1-2 7, Piatkowski 2-8 2-2 8, Chubick 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-69 16-22 82.

3-point goals—Missouri 6-13 (Booker 4-6, Peeler 1-4, D. Smith 1-3), Nebraska 4-12 (Piatkowski 2-5, Reid 2-2, Farmer 0-3, Moody 0-1, Scales 0-1). Rebounds—Missouri 43 (Peeler 11), Nebraska 39 (King 9). Assists—Missouri 17 (Peeler 8), Nebraska 17 (Scales 4). Turnovers—Missouri 13 (Peeler 4), Nebraska 14 (Scales 4). Total fouls—Missouri 16, Nebraska 25. Technical—Nebraska bench. A—15,436.

Saturday's game
Nebraska 42 45 — 87
Kansas 42 41 — 83
At Kansas City, Mo.

Nebraska—Farmer 2-8 13-16 17, Reid 4-6 0-19, King 4-8 3-8 11, Moody 2-3 4-4 8, Scales 6-11 4-6 17, Owens 0-0 0-0 0, Chubick 0-0 0-0 0, Hayes 8-14 1-3 17, Piatkowski 3-8 0-0 8. Totals 29-58 25-38 87.

Kansas—Jamison 1-4 4-6 6, Maddox 4-7 1-2 9, Randall 6-8 1-3 13, Brown 7-17 0-1 17, Jordan 4-9 5-8 14, Scott 5-6 3-7 13.

Woodberry 2-2 2-2 6, Tunstall 1-3 3-4 5, Wagner 0-0 0-0 0, Nash 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-56 19-33 83.

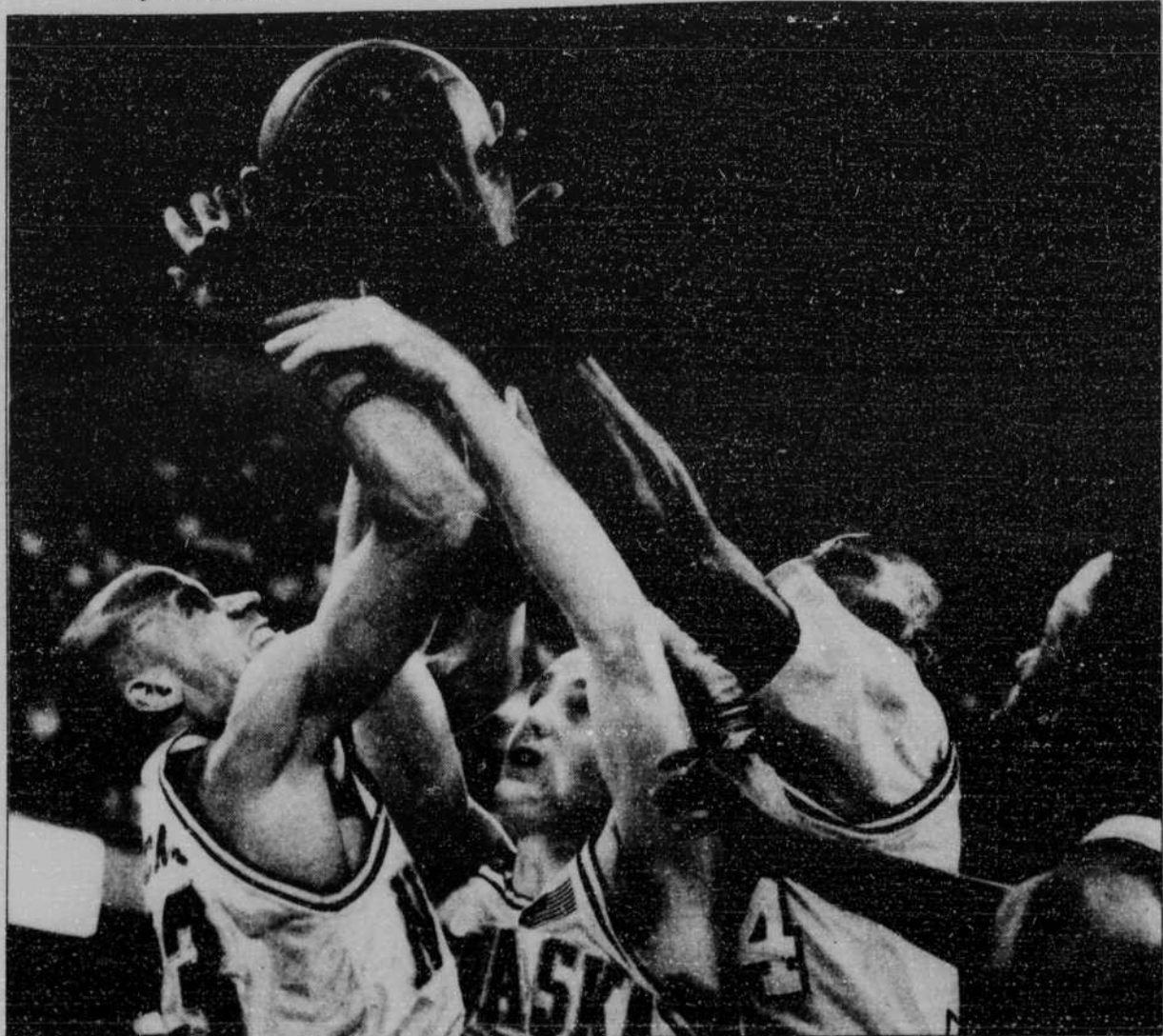
3-point goals—Nebraska 4-7 (Piatkowski 2-4, Scales 1-2, Reid 1-1), Kansas 4-18 (Brown 3-9, Jordan 1-5, Jamison 0-1, Randall 0-1, Scott 0-1, Tunstall 0-1). Rebounds—Nebraska 41 (Farmer 13), Kansas 30 (Jamison, Jordan 5). Assists—Nebraska 13 (Reid 4), Kansas 16 (Jordan 5). Turnovers—Nebraska 14 (Reid 5), Kansas 12 (Jamison 3). Total fouls (dq)—Nebraska 24, Kansas 31 (Randall, Maddox, Jamison). Technical—Nebraska bench. A—16,874.

Friday's game
Oklahoma 48 52 13 — 113
Nebraska 41 59 17 — 117
At Kansas City, Mo.

Oklahoma—Holmes 6-13 5-8 17, Webster 8-14 4-5 20, Sallier 7-9 4-9 18, Price 7-18 7-8 24, Harris 2-4 7-8 13, Hicks 3-7 4-4 11, Keane 2-4 1-3 5, Evans 0-3 1-2 1, Ware 0-2 0-10, French 0-0 4-4 4. Totals 35-74 37-51 113.

Nebraska—Farmer 7-14 12-12 26, Reid 3-6 0-0 7, King 6-16 5-8 17, Moody 3-5 8-10 15, Scales 6-12 2-2 17, Owens 1-2 0-0 2, Piatkowski 7-16 3-3 19, Hayes 5-12 3-4 13, Chubick 0-1 1-2 1, Cresswell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-84 34-41 117.

3-point goals—Oklahoma 6-19 (Price 3-12, Harris 2-2, Hicks 1-3, Evans 0-2), Nebraska 7-13 (Scales 3-3, Piatkowski 2-6, Reid 1-1, Moody 1-1, Farmer 0-1, Hayes 0-1). Rebounds—Oklahoma 42 (Sallier 11), Nebraska 55 (Farmer 13). Assists—Oklahoma 14 (Price 5), Nebraska 15 (Piatkowski 6). Turnovers—Oklahoma 17 (Holmes, Price 4), Nebraska 20 (Reid 4). Total fouls (dq)—Oklahoma 29 (Sallier), Nebraska 37 (Farmer, Reid, King, Owens). A—15,833.



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Missouri's Doug Smith (left) grabs a rebound from Nebraska's Clifford Scales and Eric Piatkowski during the final game of the Big Eight Conference tournament in Kansas City's Kemper Arena Sunday.

NCAA

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ton will be taking a record fourth school to the NCAA tournament. He previously guided Creighton, Arkansas and Kentucky to the tournament.

Top-ranked UNLV, given a chance to defend its championship by a historic reversal by the NCAA, was made the No. 1 seed in the West Regional on Sunday in an NCAA tournament dominated by Eastern teams.

Twelve conferences got more than one bid from the nine-man committee, topped by a record-tying seven schools from the Big East, six from the ACC and five from the Big Ten and Southeastern conferences.

UNLV, on a 41-game winning streak, was joined as top seed by No. 2 Ohio State, No. 5 Arkansas in the Southeast and No. 7 North Carolina in the East.

Jim Delany, chairman of the selection committee, said the 64-man team field reflects greater competitiveness

in college basketball.

"Our sense was that all four (regionals) are tough. What makes the West tough is that UNLV is in it," Delany said. "If you pull UNLV out and put

them in any other region, they would be considered the toughest of the regions."

First-round action begins Thursday and Friday at sites around the

country. Second-round winners advance to the regionals the following weekend, with the four regional winners meeting at the Final Four from March 30-April 1 at Indianapolis.

Pitchers ensure split with Northern Colorado

By Nick Hytrek
Staff Reporter

Three Nebraska pitchers combined for a three-hitter as the Cornhusker baseball team beat Northern Colorado 5-2 Sunday at Buck Beltzer Field.

The win gave 8-4 Nebraska a split in the weekend series with the Bears. Northern Colorado won 4-2 Saturday with pitcher John Star striking out 15 Huskers.

"Rather than taking the walk when it showed up, we decided to swing at balls and take strikes," Sanders said after Saturday's game.

But nine more batters struck out Sunday, and Nebraska coach John Sanders wasn't happy, even after the victory.

"As far as productivity and performance, there wasn't much improvement today," Sanders said. "We did get the win, but other than that we need improvement. We need to shore up our performance."

Nebraska's John Izumi improved to 2-0 Sunday, allowing one run on one hit. He struck out five batters over four innings. Jeff Nolette followed with four innings of two-hit ball and bullpen ace Dave Matranga

pitched a perfect final inning for the save.

Northern Colorado jumped to a 1-0 lead in the first inning. Mark Rodriguez led off with a triple over centerfielder Jeff Stych's head and scored on Mark Cypress' sacrifice fly.

Nebraska tied the game in the bottom of the inning, when Brian McArm led off with a double and scored on a Gary Tackett double.

Nebraska took the lead in the bottom of the third. Brian Arntzen walked to start the inning, advanced to second base on Tim Seaton's sacrifice bunt and moved to third on a single by McArm. One out later, Dale Hagy singled to score Arntzen.

Jim Short hit a fly ball to center field, but Rodriguez dropped it while trying to make a diving catch, and two more runs scored.

Northern Colorado cut the lead to 4-2 in the fifth inning, but Nebraska added its final run in the sixth as Stych walked, went to third on a single and scored on a wild pitch.

The Huskers will play Northern Iowa in a doubleheader Tuesday in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Women crest with fourth place

By John Gardner
Staff Reporter

The Nebraska women's track and field team peaked at the most opportune time as it placed fourth at the NCAA Indoor Championships in Indianapolis on Friday and Saturday.

Nebraska scored 27 points to place the highest for the Cornhusker women at the NCAA's since 1985, when they also placed fourth.

Nebraska distance coach Jay Dirksen said the women had an exceptional meet.

"Going into the meet, we didn't really discuss how we were going to do," Dirksen said, "and as it

came out, almost everyone ended up being All-American."

Nebraska was led by sprinters Ximena Restrepo and Kim Walker. Walker got things rolling Friday with a second-place finish in the 200-meter dash in a personal best time of 23.53. Denise Lucas also placed in the 200, getting fourth with a personal-best 24.00.

On Saturday, Restrepo ran a 400 race that made history. She placed second in a school-record 52.12, breaking the record of 52.52 set by Linetta Wilson in 1988. Maicel Malone of Arizona State won the event in 51.05 — a meet, collegiate and American record. Restrepo's time also is the second

best in Big Eight history.

Later, in the 1,600 relay, Walker and Restrepo joined Shanelle Porter and Tranquil Wilson to set yet another school record.

Lisa Graham ran a school-record 2:06.93 in the preliminaries of the 800 only to finish eighth in the finals. Graham had the fifth-fastest time for an American, however, so she earned All-American honors.

Fran ten Benschel, another All-American, ran a personal-best 4:41.06 in the mile and Cris Hall placed sixth in the high jump at 5-11 1/2.

For the Nebraska men, lone qualifier Stephen Golding placed fifth in the 55 hurdles in 7.31.

SPORTS BRIEFS

NU men's gymnastics team beats ASU

The fourth-ranked Nebraska men's gymnastics team topped Arizona State 279.4 to 277.4 Sunday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. Senior Brad Bryan won the all-around with 56.4 points to lead Nebraska.

"We would've scored better with Summer Darling," Nebraska coach Francis Allen said. "We're not deep

enough when you take him out of the lineup. We need to get him back."

Darling, a freshman who normally competes in the all-around, competed only in the pommel horse because of a sore back.

Burkett Powell had the second-best all-around score for the Cornhuskers, a career-high 55.45.

Season-high score not enough for NU

The Nebraska women's gymnastics team scored its highest point total of the year but lost Friday.

Arizona State defeated the Cornhuskers 194.0 to 189.75 at Tempe, Ariz., and placed first in every event.

Nebraska coach Rick Walton said the Husker score was good

because it gives Nebraska a better average for regionals and solidified the team's seeding.

The Cornhuskers will compete against West Virginia Tuesday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

— Erik Unger

Husker tennis team splits weekend duals

The Nebraska men's tennis team lost 5-4 to Iowa on Friday and swept past Gustavus Adolphus 9-0 Saturday in Iowa City, Iowa.

"Our loss to Iowa is a good motivational factor," Nebraska coach Kerry McDermott said. "It made us realize that we can be beat."

After splitting singles and the first two doubles matches, the teams were to decide the dual at No. 1

doubles.

Huskers Matthias Mueller and Scott Randolph beat their Hawkeye counterparts 6-1 in the first set, but lost the next two sets in a back-and-forth battle, 7-6 and 7-5.

"That was the most exciting collegiate match I've ever had the opportunity to coach," McDermott said. "Every point had everybody on the edge of their seat."

— Jeff Singer

Rec Scoreboard

Results from Thursday's games.

Men's basketball

Fraternity B

Sigma Phi Epsilon B1 63, Phi Gamma Delta B1 50, Delta Tau Delta B1 105, Sigma Chi 49, Lambda Chi Alpha B2 46, Delta Upsilon B1 45, Sigma Alpha Epsilon B1 57, Chi Phi B1 49, Phi Gamma Delta 60, Alpha Tau Omega B3 56, Alpha Tau Omega B2 55, Pi Kappa Phi 33, Alpha Gamma Rho 49, Theta Chi 34, Delta Tau Delta B2 67, Sigma Alpha Epsilon B2 61.

Independent B

Midnight Blue 65, SS Squad 63, Cather 7-Ind. 78, The 74 OT, Cowboys 76, Short-n-Sloppy 61, The Law 53, Young Guns 49, Law V 61, Misfits 28, Bar Stools 74, NA4 46, Looped Mortars 73, Falcons 33, St. Andrews Slicers 57, Lobos 39.

Independent C

4 Jerks & A Squirt 53, Court Gnomes

48; Primetime 80, Sweet 41; Red Raiders 58, Strange Brew 47; Planes, Trains & Autos 64, Swamp Rats 2 50; HB 56, Bork Beards 52; Geems Jammers 68, Just Do Me 55; Thundering Herd 39, Squid Row 30; Mod Quad 54, S&D 37.

Co-rec volleyball

A

S.A. Spikers 2, Acacia B 0; Fluffalufacuss 2, Pi Kappa Phi/KAT 0; F.Y.I. 2, Spikers 0; Fluffalufacuss 2, You Said What 0; F.Y.I. 2, Delta Tau Delta 0; You Said What 2, Alpha Omicron Pi 0.

B

The Reprise 2, Scramm 2 & the Posey 0; UNMCV-COD 2, Just Don't Matter 1.

C

The Richards 2, Mr. Happy 0; Chi Phi 2 2, It's Just Us 0.