

Phillips arrested in Omaha

OMAHA (AP)—St. Louis running back Lawrence Phillips was arrested and ticketed for disorderly conduct early Sunday morning after a disturbance at a hotel.

Police were called to the Red Lion Hotel about 2:15 a.m. where they found Phillips with five other men and several women having a party, Sgt. William Muldoon said.

"He started getting belligerent with the officers, cursing and yelling, and it got to the point where we had to arrest him," Muldoon said.

Muldoon said a couple of the women had filed harassment charges against some of the men but did not say which men.

Although disorderly conduct is a misdemeanor, Phillips was arrested, instead of just ticketed, because he does not live in the area, Muldoon said. Phillips was released on \$50 bond, according to St. Louis Rams Coach Dick Vermeil and is

due back in Douglas County Court on Tuesday.

Vermeil called Phillips' actions a disappointment.

"It's a repeated behavioral pattern," Vermeil said. "He's going to end up depriving himself of the opportunity to play in the National Football League, not by me but by the league."

"He's already had some problems."

The former Nebraska football star is already on probation for the assault of a NU women's basketball player when he was arrested on a drunken-driving charge in California.

Vermeil said he did not know how the league and the Rams will react to Phillips' latest run-in with the law.

"First off, I don't know much about it," he said. "There's not much any of us can do at this time. But it will be evaluated."

Wrestlers win seventh straight

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The eighth-ranked Nebraska wrestling team posted its seventh consecutive win and improved to 15-4 with a 23-21 win over Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, Iowa, on Sunday.

The Cornhuskers led 17-15 after the first seven matches before UNI's Ben Barton defeated Charles McTorry 11-6 at 177 pounds. NU trailed 21-17 going into the heavyweight match.

Tolly Thompson, ranked third in the nation, pinned Northern Iowa's Bret Jones at the 3:26 mark to give the Huskers the victory. Thompson improved his season record to 33-3, and he tied Gary Albright for most career falls at 68.

Other winners for the Huskers included Todd Beckerman (118 pounds), who defeated John Zelinski 16-1, Brad Canoyer (134), who beat Keith Weber 16-7, Jose DeAnda (142), who won 16-5, and Jason Kraft (158), who won 20-7 over Jason Haag.

The Panthers won at 126 pounds, 150, 167, 177 and 190.

NU was without 126-pounder Jeramie Welder because of NCAA restrictions on a number of dates a wrestler can compete.

"We wrestled great," NU Coach Tim Neumann said. "The score didn't really show it, but top to bottom we wrestled a great match."

Northern Iowa fell to 7-6.

Weekend Wrap-up

Thompson sets record

Nebraska shot putter Tressa Thompson made history Friday night during the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference Invite at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

Thompson, a four-time All-American, broke the collegiate record of 59-feet 3 1/2 inches on her fifth throw of the competition. Thompson's mark of 60-7 3/4 was more than 16 1/4 inches further than the previous record set by UCLA's Valeyta Althouse.

Also having success for the Huskers was sophomore high jumper Shane Lavy. Lavy posted a career-best 7-5 1/2 mark in the high jump. The winning effort was the best height cleared in the NCAA's this year.

Several Huskers posted NCAA provisional qualifying marks, including Doreen Heldt in the 20-pound weight throw, and Charles Reid and Heather Burns in the 55-meter hurdles.

Softball team struggles

The Nebraska softball team went 1-5 at the Coca-Cola Classic in Tempe, Ariz., over the weekend.

To open the season, the Cornhuskers lost four of the five games by one run.

NU lost to Illinois State 6-5, No. 17 Florida State 2-1 in nine innings,

third-ranked Fresno State 3-2 in eight innings and Utah 1-0. Nebraska beat 12th-ranked Cal State-Fullerton for its lone win of the tournament, but lost to No. 1 Arizona 15-2.

Sunday the Huskers lost to Utah. The Utes scored the only run of the ballgame when Jessie Ziese singled home Lisa Hashimoto in the fifth inning. Jenny Voss (1-2) took the loss while Ali Sagas improved to 1-1 with the win.

Ohio State beats NU

The Nebraska men's gymnastics team broke out of a scoring slump Saturday night in Columbus, Ohio.

The Cornhuskers finished second in a triangular meet with Ohio State and Oklahoma.

The top-ranked Buckeyes won the meet at 232 points, but the Huskers scored a season-high 229.35 to finish ahead of the Sooners' 227.725.

Nebraska junior Bill Mulholland finished third in the all-around, scoring a career-high 57.35. Mulholland had another career high and tied Ohio State's Doug Stibel for fourth on the parallel bars with a 9.8.

Freshman all-arounder Derek Leiter was fourth at 57.1, also a career-high. Leiter tied Oklahoma's Todd Bishop for fourth on the pommel horse with a 9.7.

Ohio State's Drew Durbin won the all-around at 58.075 and teammate Blaine Wilson was second (57.85).

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midway through the second half.

Two Kris Clack free throws made the score 53-51 with 8:56 to play, but Lue immediately sank a 3 from the top of the key. Nebraska scored 10 of the next 12 points to go back on top by 10, and the Longhorns never got any closer than eight points.

Lue made six free throws in the last 4 1/2 minutes, giving NU its largest lead of the game, 77-64, with 48 seconds to play and handled Texas' full-court pressure late in the second half. "Tyronn's a great little ball-handler," Penders said. "There aren't many point guards better than him, and we've seen a lot of them."

Texas (14-8 and 8-4) shot just 34.9 percent for the game to Nebraska's 47.3 percent, and the Huskers held a

45-38 rebounding advantage. Hamilton, who posted 20 points with 11 rebounds, has 36 points and 28 rebounds in Nebraska's last two games and eight double-doubles this season.

"I have a great feeling that we're going to win three of these last four games," Hamilton said. "We've got to come in mentally focused and do the stuff we're supposed to do, and we'll win."

Florence added 13 points and six rebounds, and Mikki Moore had four points with nine rebounds and three blocks for Nebraska, which plays at Baylor on Wednesday.

"Nebraska played awfully well," Penders said. "They're a hell of a team, and that's the Big 12. You've got to have your guns with all your bullets in them if you're going to win on the road in this league."

Flat Huskers still win

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"I think it really shows that our team can pull it together," DeHaan said. "You're always going to have an off night. You can't expect to be on top all the time."

Misty Oxford won the vault with a 9.9. It was the fourth time this year the sophomore scored a 9.9 or better in the event. Oxford finished fourth on the floor exercise and tied Laurie McLaughlin for third on the balance beam at 9.75.

Shelly Bartlett won her fourth all-around title — in seven meets — of

the season with a score of 39.075.

Bartlett won the floor exercise (9.85), was second on the vault (9.875) and fifth on the balance beam (9.625).

Heather Brink, who holds the school record in the all-around, competed only in the uneven bars because of an injured foot. Brink, a freshman, still managed to tie her personal best with a 9.85, good enough for second.

Freshman Nicole Wilkinson won the first event of her career on the beam with a career-best 9.85. Wilkinson also took third on the vault with a 9.85 and was fifth in the all-around.

Texas, NU have concerns

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steals in conference play — both average 2.9 steals per game.

In all games, Doage leads the conference with 67 steals.

"We can't match up with her," Conradt said. "Doage is our real concern. (Anna) DeForge is a very good shooter but Doage's quickness concerns me."

Beck said she is also concerned with Texas' rebounding ability. Especially 6-foot-4 forward Angela Jackson who averages 6.8 boards per game.

The Longhorns' rebounding prowess has prompted her to make a lineup change. Emily Thompson, a 6-3 junior who has not started since against Colorado on Jan. 4, will be in the start-

ing lineup tonight Beck said.

Another factor on the Longhorns' side is a tremendous home-court advantage. Of UT's four losses this season, only one has come at home and that was a three-point overtime loss to No. 9 Tennessee.

Texas owns a 9-1 home record this season and the Longhorns average more than 7,000 fans per game.

Despite the fact that Sunday was the first time UT had practiced for the first time in a week because many players had the flu, Beck said the home court advantage should cure Texas' ill feelings.

"This will probably be one of the more difficult things we have attempted," Beck said. "If not the most difficult road contest of the season."