

# Kansas Shatters Inept Missouri Club, 73-56

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 30.—Kansas' fast-moving Jayhawks showed the form that prompted the experts to make them Big Seven conference basketball title favorites here Thursday night as they scored an easy, 73-56, triumph over an inept Missouri club.

Kansas faced only two threats from the sour-shooting Tigers who the night before had to go all out to knock off an underdog but determined Nebraska five.

Four times in the second half Missouri came back to within four points of the Jayhawkers, . . . 39-43, 43-47, 45-49 and 47-51 . . . but could get no closer as the Jayhawks worked out of a comparative "deep freeze" to regain a comfortable edge and coasted in.

Eight quick points . . . four by Lew Johnson and two each by Dallas Hobbs and Gene Elstun . . . in a two-minute 21-second stretch

early in the proceedings was the killing blow to the Tigers.

Those points and a complete drouth for Missouri during the same time, put the Jayhawks a 16-7 lead which they never lost.

Except for that brief spell in the second half Kansas was never pressed in notching its sixth victory against a pair of losses.

Big Chuck Denny and Bill Ross collected Missouri's points in its ill-fated rally but couldn't keep pace with the point production of Kansas' Elstun, Johnson and Lea Green with the pressure on. Elstun's 22 points was the game's best effort.

Ross and Norm Stewart split scoring honors for the Tigers with 14 points each but Stewart's poor average of six-for-24 from the field certainly was a detriment to the Tiger cause. The rugged 6-foot 4-inch senior had been

scoring at a 26.3-per-game average going into the tournament.—G. F.

## MISSOURI (56)

	FG.	FGA.	FT.	FTA.	PF.	TP.	RB.
Ross	7	12	0	6	4	14	9
Reichert	1	5	0	0	5	2	5
Denny	6	22	1	2	4	13	14
Stewart	6	24	2	8	1	14	12
Smith	1	11	2	3	2	4	6
Egelhoff	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Ronsick	1	3	0	0	0	2	1
Stephens	0	1	2	2	0	2	6
Paden	0	1	1	3	3	1	1
Cotter	0	2	0	1	2	0	0
Stehr	0	0	2	2	0	2	0
Henson	1	1	0	0	0	2	0
Team							13
Totals	23	88	10	27	22	56	67

## KANSAS (73)

	FG.	FGA.	FT.	FTA.	PF.	TP.	RB.
Green	2	7	1	2	5	5	15
Elstun	8	15	6	8	2	22	13
Johnson	3	13	4	4	2	10	14
Dobbs	5	20	11	15	1	21	2
King	1	8	5	6	5	7	11
Brainard	3	1	0	0	0	6	2
Parker	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lockley	1	2	0	0	1	2	0
Mowry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Johnston	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
Hollinger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team							5
Totals	23	71	27	37	17	73	64
Missouri					26	30	56
Kansas					35	38	73