Only one veteran, Missouri's gliding guard,
Norman Stewart, is within easy range of the charmed circle of Big Seven
tournament elmite as conference teams head down the stretch toward their
tenth amual conclave in Kansas City's Municipal auditorium.

has scored 98 tournament points. Collected only 35 as a sophomore, but fired 63 last December, km a total exceeded only by Iowa State's brawny center, Chuck Duncan, and Oklahoma Guard Lester Lane.

All this means he is only 22 points away from the lower rung of the meet's Top Ten career scoers. One of last year's Stewart teammates, Med Park, now holds that position on 120 points. The way Stewart has been shooting he will surpass that ceiling in the opening game against Nebraska which rings up the curtain on the second set of firts -round games Wednesday night. For his average through the Tigers' first six games is 26.2.

garnished by salves of 36, 31 and 30, the former figure a new % engal single-game mark. If the nifty seniorcan maintain his mean through the three tournament games ne not only will rocket all the way to second place on the all-time lists at 177 points, but will endanger Clyde Lovellette's singlex one-tournament record of 82, which the old Kansas Leviathan established in 1950.

points in tourney play by matching his current average. An increase of 1.2 points per game on his presentamean would allow him to displace L8vellette's five-year-old ceiling. With 98 points in two previous meets, Stewart to unseat "ane as the all-time runnerup by three points if he can match his pre-tournament firing figure. km And "ane, like Burdette Maldorson, Colorado; Bob "eiterm Missouri, and Park, enjoyed an extra