

the first six games, is experiencing grief with both its defense and personnel and is taking a fearful whipping off the backboards.

The Jayhawkers have out-rebounded only Northwestern and SMU the latter by one carom in the ~~their~~ second game, while falling far short ~~xxx~~ against its other four opponents. This is traceable to two factors 1) Lack of a modern-day giant, and 2) An attitude of non-aggression.

Lew Johnson, holdover varsity center, is 6-6½, not lofty by modern post standards. He is the Hawkers' tallest regular, which brackets them with Oklahoma and Missouri in that department. The unaccountable docility of this year's edition is a far cry from all ~~Jayhawkx~~ previous Jayhawk editions of this decade.

Another unlooked-for item is absence of bench strength. Phog Allen, starting his 39th season at ^{at} Oread, thought he was going to be able to employ ten men at the outset of the season. Instead six or seven are carrying the entire load. Until some of the second liners arrive, ~~Kansasx~~ the Ole Kinghawk of the Kaw will be playing with as little depth as any club in the league save Oklahoma.

Even with their weaknesses showing, the Jayhawkers own enough potential to shoot down any tournament team. Their backline fire-power from Capt. Dallas Dobbs and the rising Maurice King is second only to that of Missouri's Norm Stewart at Lionel Smith (29.3 points per game against 35.8). The revolving pivot offense places an added burden on the defense since all starters save Dobbs can work well out of what once was called the keyhole. And the zone defense they have employed the last two games seldom offers a shooting gallery for any team. The latter also helps ~~kxx~~ this club off the ~~boardsx~~ defensive boards where it can present no 200-pound~~x~~ regular as well as no real loft.