big seven tournament advance
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The Big Seven's new crop of centers will be ~~mxxwrvx~~ measured in head-to-head warring for the first time next week when they face off in the conference's tenth annual ~~tx~~ pre-season tournament in Kansas City's Municipal auditorium.

The five new regulars.... Lew Johnson of Kansas and Oklahoma's LeRoy Bacher are the only holdover starters from 1954-55.... will carry as much interest , both from spectator and coach as did their shiny gang of predecessors who dominated ~~the~~ most of the first nine meets. But for a different reason. The question now isn't whether B.H. Born can defend Burdette Haldorson or Clyde Lovellette outscore Marcus Freiberger. Its ~~a~~ a mere matter of whether any of the fresh pivotmen can approach any of the old guard and whether any one of them is good enough to swing the scales of tournament victory, and subsequently the league race .

Only three of the newly-spotlighted post-men are sophomores. They include Don Medsker, 6-8,Iowa State; Jim Thom, 6-9, Nebraska, and Jack Parr, 6-9,Kansas State. The others, Chuck Denney of Missouri, and George Hannah of Colorado, are seniors. But they are seeing their first season as regulars or of extensive use at all, for that matter.

Parr and Medsker have been equalling advance notice. The latter tops the entire complement of league centers at this writing with a average in four games. Medsker is only two points back at 15.3.

Thom must be considered a disappointment to date. Perhaps too much was expected of him. At any rate he has scored only eight points in four games. Fact is, he isn't even a starter for the Cornhuskers when Rex Ekwall, 6-5 converted forward is available.

A heavy cold kept the brawny junior out of the Michigan and Wichita games, both of which Nebraska lost. Thom apparantly has a ways to come.

Denney and Hannah may prove better than any of the rookies by the time the finals of the four-day affair close December 30. Both have come up the hard-way, playing behind two tall and prolific scorers over the past two years. Subbing for Haldorson , the 6-7 Hannah averaged last year and in 1954. He now is travelling at 10.0 through the Buffaloes' first three games. He always has been regarded as a dangerous scorer , capable defender and sturdy rebounder.

Denney averaged in 20 games last season; in as a sophomore. This 6-5½ , 223-pound workhorse is a somewhat larger though cruder edition of Bill Stauffer, Tiger great of 1950-51-52. He fights all the way for rebounds and came along steadily in all departments thrugh the final half of last season. And, to date, he hasn't fouled out of a game, a penchant which has concerned Coach Sparky Stalcup for the past two seasons.

Johnson , who started all 21 games for Kansas last season as a sophomore, now finds himself the most experienced regular among league centers. He owns some glossy credentials despite his mere junior status. He set a school mark of 24 rebounds against Oklahoma last year and , with 230 recoveries, outstripped the sophomore rebound figures of Lovellette and Born. He averaged 10.0 over the points over the 1954-55 route and was travelling at 12.6 when the Jayhawkers opened their weekend tour in Texas Saturday night.

Bacher will replace Missouri's departed Med Park as the league's best and maneuveror and scorer around the boards. He owns the soft touch of a Gerald Tucker and the massive proportions of Bill Waters, two notable Oklahoma centers of the recent past.

He was not eligible until the semester last winter, but averaged 19.1 in OU's last eight conference games. His mean through the first five this year is .

Cornell, this year's guest team, will present a three-year regular in the pivot. 6-5, 220-pound Ray Zelek. His scoring and rebound averages last year were 9.1 and 10.8; as a sophomore, 10.1 and 10.5. He averaged 14.0 through the Big Red's first three games.

Departure of Haldroson, Reiter, Chuck Duncan, of Iowa State, and Willard Fagler of Nebraska, signalled the end of the conference's last four-year men, who were eligible as freshmen under Korean War suspension of the yearling rule. Their graduation also wiped away the last vistages of a glistening Old Guard which had existed since Tucker led Oklahoma into the first tourney in 1946.

Never has the Big Seven witnessed such excellent mass center play as during that era. You had to be a Helms Foundation Player of the Year to rise even a fraction above the pack. And that's exactly what Tucker and Lovellette were.

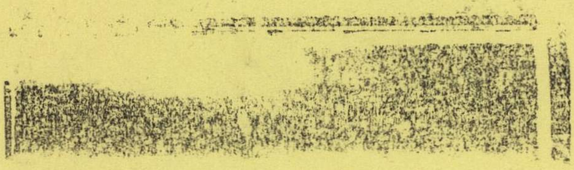
Some idea of the old star's dominance can be gleaned from this fact. When Duncan won the tournament scoring scepter last December, it marked the eighth time in nine meets that crown went to a center. Lovellette won three of these; Tucker, Gene Peterson of Kansas; Waters, and Kansas State's Dick Knostman captured singletons.

Contesting them were men like Stauffer, Bob Whitehead and Bob Pierce of Nebraska, and Freiberger.

How far the upcoming tyros must go to match such men and deeds is written in one current fact. Up to the weekend's games Parr and Bacher stood no better than fifth and sixth on the pre-tournament scoring roles.

Here are last year's Top Ten tourney scorers with returnees in caps.

	G	FG	FT	PF	TP
Chuck Duncan, c, Iowa State	3	31	13	7	75
Lester Lane, g, Oklahoma	3	25	17	7	67
NORMAN STEWART, MISSOURI, g-f	3	23	17	8	63
Bob Jeangerard, Colorado, f	3	19	21	7	59
GENE ELSTUN, KANSAS, f	3	20	18	11	58
Bob Reiter, Missouri, c	3	17	23	13	57
Med Park, Missouri, f	3	13	29	10	55
Burdette Haldorson, Colorado, c	3	16	21	9	53
Bob McKern, California, c	2	21	10	8	52
JIMMY PECK, OKLAHOMA, g	3	17	17	8	51



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SUMMARY

FINAL

OKLAHOMA A. & M.

November 12, 1955

	K.U.	Opp.
FIRST DOWNS	12	11
Rushing	10	7
Passing	2	4
Penalties	0	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	233	134
FORWARDS ATTEMPTED	4	18
FORWARDS COMPLETED	3	5
NET YARDS FORWARDS	74	113
INTERCEPTED BY	1	0
YDS. INTERCEP. RETURN	23	0
PUNTS, NUMBER	6	7
Returned by	36	39
PUNTS, AVERAGE	35	43
KICKOFFS, NUMBER	3	2
Returned by	21	48
FUMBLES	4	3
Fumbles Lost	1	0
PENALTIES	4	1
YDS. LOST ON PENALTIES	30	5

SCORE BY PERIODS:

KANSAS	6	0	0	6	- 12
OKLA. A.&M.	0	7	0	0	- 7

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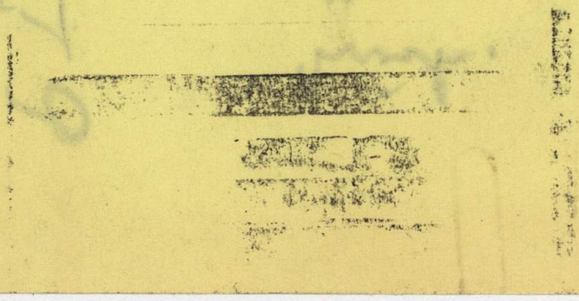

3-0	Wash.
2-1	Stanford
2-1	Calif.
2-1	Harvard
1-2	Wash.
1-2	
1-2	
0-3	
0-3	
14-16	

Grant Storm

Cagers Beat Colgate Five

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The turning point of the game followed as Girodano stole an errant Cornell pass, rifled the ball to Stratton, and then, the latter unaccountably blew the lay up. Cornell took possession, and Rolles scored in two foul shots making the score, 80-76. Colgate called time out, but to no avail. For the Big Red staged a brilliant freeze, the irrestistible Rolles deftly controlling the ball to the delight of the wildly cheering throng. The referee shrilled his whistle, Zelek sank two anti-climactical fouls, and the game was in the record books.

Fouls were the key to the Red victory. The rapid accumulation of penalties by Colgate's big men, the 6'6 Milt Graham and high scoring Jack Nichols crippled the visitor's offense. In contrast, when forward Max Mattes quickly drew four personals, coach Royner Greene was able to send in the capable Pearson, whose eight points rocketed Cornell to a sensational victory.

Cornell (82)	fg	f	tp	Colgate (76)	fg	f	tp
Mattes, f	2	2	6	Allen, f	4	5	13
Pearson	4	2	10	Davidson	0	2	2
Roberson, f	0	4	4	Nichols, f	2	12	16
Monroe	0	0	0	Brummer	0	0	0
Zelek, c	4	10	18	Graham, c	3	6	12
Kogan	0	2	2	Tassi	2	0	4
Calkin	0	0	0	Stratton, g	6	1	13
Rolles, g	10	5	25	Bisselle	0	0	0
Meade, g	4	5	13	Giodr'o, g	8	0	16
Marriott	2	0	4				
Total	**26**	**30**	**82**	**Total**	**25**	**26**	**76**

Cornell Cagers Upset Colgate In 82-76 Win

By TONY KOVNER

Ray Zelek sank two foul shots but nobody seemed to care after Cornell's spectacular, 82-76, victory over a favored Colgate five last night at Barton Hall. The final whistle seemed to make the stands come alive with warhooping Cornellians.

On the court, Max Mattes and Phil Marriott slapped each other wildly on the back and Larry Pearson jumped around as if this was V-J day. Dick Meade shook hands with coach Royner Greene and exchanged silent looks of admiration. Barton Hall was in an uproar. And Ray Zelek calmly threw in his 10th free throw in 10 attempts from the penalty stripe.

Chuck Rolles, of course, was magnificent. The little redhead dribbled as if his hand was magnetized to the basketball, and poured in 25 points, including a pair of crucial last minute free throws.

But this was a team triumph. Sophomore Larry Pearson came off the bench midway in the second half, yet contributed 10 vital points to the Red effort besides some inspired rebounding. Zelek too was excellent off the boards, scored 18 points, and even stole the ball from one of the red-shirted opponents.

Dick Meade was up to his usual ball stealing tricks and sparkled with his playmaking and hard-driving lay ups. Phil Marriott, chipped in with some spirited defense and a couple of baskets. And the fine work exhibited in the first half by Mattes, the high leaping "Bo" Roberson and big men Kogan and Flip Calkin can not be passed over.

The first half saw the lead change hands several times, and was marked by hard-fought fast-moving yet often sloppy basketball. On the Cornell side, Chuck Rolles was the offensive standout, collecting 15 points. Colgate's watch-charm guards, Bob Giordano and Joe Stratton, displayed some accurate long range shooting. Giordano hit on five high arcing set shots, while Stratton was a persistent ballhawk and defensive star.

But as the second half got underway, it seemed for a while as if the visiting Red Raiders were going to run away with the ball game. Defensive lapses cost Cornell eight points on layups alone.

But with the inclusion of Meade, Pearson and Kogan into the lineup, the home team gradually seemed to find itself. Rolles went on a eight point spree, and the Red gradually pared down a lead, which was once 57-45.

At the twelve minute marker. Zelek returned to the contest and promptly accounted for four points. Meade sank a long set and the Red assumed a tenuous 68-67 lead. During the next three minutes Pearson took things into his own hands and scored eight crucial tallies. Zelek sank a lay up, making the score, 78-76, and Cornell called time out. Scarcely a minute was left to play.

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Dear Mr. Pierce,

Ben Mintz, Cornell's Athletic Publicity Director, asked me to send you this article. The victory over Colgate was a very big one for Cornell. It means, in all probability, that we will enter the Kansas tourney unbeaten. Harvard and Brown should not prove too tough on the next two week-ends as both games are played in Ithaca.

However, Washington U. (of St. Louis) might give us trouble as the game will be played on the Washington court. The outstanding player for Cornell in the first two games has been 5'6" Chuck Rolles. However, an unheralded soph, Larry Pearson has sparkled in limited action against both Colgate and Buffalo. In fact, it was Pearson who proved to be the difference in the Buffalo game.

If there is any way I can be of further service to you, please do not hesitate to write.

Sincerely,

Alan Cameron

(Sports Editor)

Cornell Daily SUN

H'vard (81)	fg	f	tp
Bowman,f	2	3	7
Hurley,f	1	8	10
Haughey	7	2	16
Kantrow'z	0	0	0
Canty,c	5	2	12
Hastings,g	10	8	28
Barnett,g	0	3	3
Riggs,	0	1	1
Lowenfels	2	0	4
Total	**27**	**27**	**81**

C'nell (59)	fg	f	tp
Rolles,f	7	3	17
Pearson,f	4	2	10
Mattes	1	2	4
Monroe	0	0	0
Schanze	0	0	0
Zelek,c	5	4	14
Kogan	0	1	1
Rob'son	1	0	2
Mar'ot,g	0	0	0
Meade,g	1	1	3
Roberson	2	2	6
Hughes	0	2	2
Hornung	0	0	0
Total	**21**	**17**	**59**

Dear Mr. Pierce,

Mr. Mintz has asked me to send you this clipping from our last game. As you see, we did not make out too well. Rolles and Zelek have performed the best for this season's team. Down at the Dixie Classic, Rolles, due to his small size, was quite a crowd-pleaser and made plenty of good newspaer copy. I am afraid that Rolles may be the only outstanding attraction that Cornell may have at this year's tourney.

Sincerely,

Alan Cameron

O. U. in a Good Spot To Halt Buff Cagers

SOONER SCOREBOARD.

Record to date: W 2 L 3; 65 Baylor 55; 47 Rice 62; 69 Vanderbilt 78; 68 Ohio State 89; 69 Arkansas 59.

Returning lettermen—(4)—Ed Abbey, f; LeRoy Bacher, c; Bob Burr, g; Jimmy Peck, g.

1955 Big Seven finish—7th, 1-11; all games: 3-18.

Previous tournament finishes—1946—5th; 1947—5th; 1948—1st; 1949—2nd; 1950—3rd; 1951—4th; 1952—8th; 1953—2nd; 1955—4th W 15 L 12 Pct. .556.

Remaining pre-tournament games—Dec. 20 Oklahoma A. & M. at Norman; Dec. 23 Illinois at Urbana.

First round opponent—Colorado, 7:30 p. m. December 27.

OKLAHOMA, the traditional upset team of Big Seven tournament history, again is poised in a prime position to bring off a form reversal when the tenth annual affair opens a 4-day run next Tuesday in the Municipal Auditorium.

The Sooners, re-grouping under Doyle Parrack, an intense young coach who played for arch-rival Oklahoma A. and M., are paired against Colorado in the meet's tipoff game at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Remember Last Year?

Colorado is the team Oklahoma ambushed, 73-71, in an overtime first-rounder last year. The significance of this conquest can be best understood by this two-edged fact. C. U. went on to win the conference while Oklahoma was dead last at 1-11. The upset of the Herd was one of only three games the Sooners won last year in their final season under Bruce Drake.

In 1949 O. U. toppled Kansas State, an eventual conference tri-champion in the league season following. This top was a first-round affair. Only a last second goal by the Wildcats' Jim Iverson saved State the next year, 55-53. And that was the Purple's best all-time team, going all the way to the N. C.-A. A. finals. In '51 Drake's Shufflers skidded Stanford into the discard in the opening round. The Indians had come into the meet undefeated.

Colorado and O. U. are much more closely-matched this winter than last, on paper, at least. Still, the Buffaloes will rank as solid favorites, barring tremendous upheavals in the two clubs' few remaining engagements before tournament time.

and jump-shooters as a sophomore last year.

He'll Get Good Mileage.

The 33-year-old Parrack can be counted upon to wring the most from a squad which represents the first step in a hoped-for Sooner rise back to conference contention. As expected from a Hank Iba disciple, Parrack has installed slow-down basketball. Drake could put together unsurpassed ball-control when he wished, but Parrack is likely to go with it all the way. The Sooners have put an average of only 56 shots per game. The defense was good enough to limit Temple Tucker, Rice's heralded 6-10 sophmore, to his season's low of ten points December 8, although Oklahoma lost, 47-62.

The Sooners tackle their second Big Ten opponent Friday in Illinois. Ohio State flogged them, 89-68, December 12.

The all-time composite tournament standings:

	T.	W.	L.	Pct.	Pts.	OPP.	Chps.
So. Meth ...	1	3	0	1.000	151	135	1
Kansas St..	9	20	7	.741	1,828	1,648	3
Kansas ...	9	18	9	.667	1,737	1,596	2
Ok. A.&M.	1	2	1	.667	134	120	0
Michigan ..	1	2	1	.667	162	159	0
Minnesota..	1	2	1	.667	198	189	0
Stanford ...	1	2	1	.667	249	238	0
Missouri ...	9	17	10	.630	1,585	1,521	2
Oklahoma...	9	15	12	.556	1,711	1,673	1
Arkansas ..	1	1	2	.333	150	155	0
Yale	1	1	2	.333	181	190	0
California..	1	1	2	.333	200	219	0
Iowa State.	9	9	18	.333	1,611	1,770	0
Colorado ..	8	8	16	.333	1,470	1,456	0
Nebraska ..	9	7	20	.259	1,579	1,782	0
Harvard ...	1	0	3	.000	156	193	0
Washington.	1	0	3	.000	212	249	0

Even though Colorado lost four of the five starters which took it to third place in the N. C. A. A. last year, it is starting a full team of lettermen. In contrast, Oklahoma is fusing two sophomores with one holdover letterman and two returning regulars in its starting five. Furthermore, Parrack shows only four lettermen on his entire squad, fewer than any conference team, and is carrying ten sophomores on his 18-man squad. An eleventh, Fred Hood, 6-4 200-pounder, will miss the tourney because of duty with Sooner football forces in the Orange bowl.

Three Good Sophomores.

Parrack's rookie starters are Joe King, 6-6½ Norman forward, who is also Bacher's relief at center, and Joe Jones, 6-1½ Oklahoma Citian. A third soph, Bill Pinkerton, 6-4 Oklahoma Citian, came off the bench to score eighteen points in last week's 69-59 vanquishing of Arkansas.

Ed Abbey, 6-4 Denverite, is the lettered junior starter. He plays opposite King in the front line. Bacher, the 6-5½, 230-pound pachyderm with the soft touch, is at center, of course. Peck, a leaping little guy cut from the same cloth as the departed Lester Lane, pairs with Jones in the backline.

This club carries more balanced height than Big Seven fans are accustomed to seeing in Sooner livery. Drake became famous for his Dribbling Dwarfs, which often were hubbed by a giant like Bill Waters or Marcus Freiberger. Parrack has no one as towering as the 6-11 Freiberger, but overall squad height is the best in recent seasons if not of all time.

Bacher will carry a 5-game average of 16.4 into Tuesday's collision with Oklahoma A. & M. at Norman. Peck is traveling at 13.4; King 12.6.

Bacher is successor to Missouri's Med Park as the league's best maneuveror around the boards and owns a touch as deft as Gerald Tucker, OU's Helms Foundation player of the Year in 1947 and this tourney's first scoring champion in the front end of that season.

Peck established himself as one of the loop's best dribblers

N. U. CAN'T CATCH TIGERS

Favored Missouri Takes Over Late in First Half and Holds On for a 71-66 Triumph Over Huskers in the Big Seven Meet.

LATE FREEZE WORKS FOR BENGALS

Norm Stewart Scores Only Sixteen Points for Sparky Stalcup's Crew, but Turns In a Brilliant Floor Game—Smith Gets Hot.

BULLETIN.

Kansas also passed its first-round test by trouncing Cornell, the guest team, 75-58.

By Ed Garich.
(A Member of The Star's Sports Staff.)

Missouri had to fight all the way to defeat Nebraska, 71-66, last night in a first round game in the Big Seven pre-season basketball tournament.

An estimated 10,000 persons saw the Tigers, one of the favorites in the tournament, dogged by the Huskers throughout, never claiming a lead of more than seven points and having to control the ball in the last three minutes to protect a slim lead.

The big Tiger gun, Norm Stewart, played a brilliant floor game, but had a cold night scoring. He hit only sixteen and Lionel Smith took up the shot-making slack to pace the Bengals.

Smith and Bill Ross led the Tigers to an early lead which never amounted to more than a pair of points. Nebraska, with Rex Ekwall and Don Smidt hitting, tied it at 10-all with 13:25 left, then took brief leads which were 14-10 and 16-12 before Missouri caught up on Stewart's hit over the top to make it 16-all.

After a tie at 18-all, Missouri moved uneasily ahead to a 23-20 lead, was caught at 23 on Smidt's screen shot, fell behind 23-25 on Ekwall's corner jump shot, then rallied on points by Stewart, Smith and Ross to lead at the half, 36-31.

After that close battling, the Tigers stayed on top the rest of the game but no deep breaths were taken by the Bengals until the final horn.

Nebraska got within three points, 38-41, early in the second half, then narrowed to two points at 41-43 as Ekwall hit a pair of free throws. Missouri survived that one and a later one which narrowed the gap to a single point, 49-48, with twelve minutes left.

The Bengals pulled away again on hits by Stewart and Smith, expanded the margin to 58-51 and held a lead of from five to seven points the rest of the way.

Smith hit twenty-two points to pace the scoring for Missouri. Stewart had sixteen, well below his average of 26.2 going into the game. He took few shots in the second half.

NEBRASKA—66

	G	F	P
C. Smith	1	5-12	2
Nannen ..	0	0-0	1
Doeble	0	0-3	0
Smidt ..	5	2-3	5
Arwood ..	0	0-0	0
Ekwall ..	6	13-14	3
Mercier ..	0	0-2	3
Reimers ..	0	0-2	2
Coufal	2	0-0	2
Kubacki....	4	10-12	3
Totals	18	30-48	18

MISSOURI—71

	G	F	P
Ross	4	3-6	5
Reichert ..	3	2-4	4
Egelhoff ..	1	0-0	3
Denny	2	5-6	3
Stephens ..	0	3-4	5
Stewart ..	7	2-5	2
L. Smith ..	8	6-6	5
Stehr	0	0-0	2
Totals	25	21-31	29

Nebraska	31	35—66
Missouri	36	35—71

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tate Hopes to Rack Up Championship in Big n Tourney This Week.

WANTS TO END JINX

n Ever Has Been Able ep Through to Title in Consecutive Years.

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Pre-Tournament Games.)

	L.	Pct.	Pts.	Op. Pts.	Per Game Spread
		.833	441	363	13.0
		.667	454	379	12.5
		.667	410	405	1.1
		.600	356	348	1.6
		500	355	373	—3.0
		500	470	457	2.2
		00	408	473	—9.2
		0	442	492	—7.2

Dakota State 60; 2, Tulsa 50; 72, 62, Denver 65;

akota 46; 58, 60; 74, Illinois Idaho 57.
western 70; 56, consin 66; 61, S. M. 62, S. M. U. 58.
ffalo 73; 82, Colgate 1; 82, Brown 63; 50, Louis 55.
Oregon State 53; 68, wa 57; 53, B. Y. U. 34; 58, Colorado A. and

—89, Texas Tech 70; 4, Drake 70; 92, Loyola , Washington; 79, Hous-

1, Iowa 60; 69, Texas Michigan 77; 46, Wichita L. A. 65; 52, Wisconsin erbilt 66.
A—65, Baylor 55; 47, Rice derbilt 78; 68, Ohio State 89; as 59; 66, Oklahoma A. and M. llinois 82.

chored by an 87-76 uest of previously-eaten Vanderbilt in its pre-tournament dress rehearsal, Iowa State is poised to shoot for its first Big Seven post-Christmas crown this week when the tenth annual dribble derby opens a 4-day run in Municipal Auditorium.

The Cyclones, playing their second season under Bill Strannigan, will come into the big arena with the best record among tournament teams at 5-1. Furthermore, they own a 13.0-point-per-game spread, five-tenths wider than that of Missouri's defending tournament champions.

Vanderbilt had won six straight before it invaded Ames Friday, was ranked eighth in the latest A. P. poll and nineteenth on U. P. Tulsa also was undefeated until running afoul of the Cyclones December 10, 50-62 after four victories. Only three points, a 62-65 loss to Denver at Denver, Wednesday, separates the in last year's opening round and is far closer in personnel to the Buffaloes this time. Colorado hasn't been the same since it absorbed a 2-night 48-point shelling from B. Y. U. two weeks ago in Provo. It lost its pre-meet finale, 58-60, to Colorado A. and M. Friday. All this after a 60-57 victory over Iowa's defending Big Ten kings, tenth-ranked in the latest Associated Press poll. Four starters are gone from last year's N. C. A. A. third-place outfit.

For the second time in three years, pivotmen, long the dominant scoring figures in this meet, may be shut out of the individual point championship. All three 20-point pre-tournament scorers are guards. Missouri's big captain, Norm Stewart, tops the list at 26.2 with

Iowans from a perfect slate.

Third Is Previous High.

They thus qualify as the highest barrier to a Missouri repeat. This is rare stature for a team which never has finished higher than third in nine previous meets (1948 and 1954); has languished in last place twice and seventh three times.

Happily the Cyclones and Tigers are in opposite brackets. The former will run into immediate trouble since it drew Kansas State in the opening round in the nightcap of tomorrow's opening card. This should be the tightest battle of the first-round 4-game set. Kansas State, 3-3, has played a tougher preliminary slate, losing only 79-86 to well-regarded Houston Thursday in Houston in its final pre-meet test.

Here's the way the first round bracket lines up:

TOMORROW.
7:30 p. m.—Colorado vs. Oklahoma.
9:30 p. m.—Iowa State vs. Kansas State.
WEDNESDAY.
7:30 p. m.—Missouri vs. Nebraska.
9:30 p. m.—Kansas vs. Cornell.

Iowa State is the meet's youngest team with only one senior figuring prominently and as many as three sophomores frequently starting. It will throw its sophomore center, 6-foot, 8-inch Don Medesker against K-State's 6-9 rookie, Jack Parr, in a duel which could pivot the outcome.

Comparison Is Close.

Some idea of how close this one will be can be found in scores against one common foe, Texas Tech. The Cyclones whaled the Red Raiders twenty points (72-52) at Ames. The Wildcats beat them nineteen (89-70) at Manhattan.

If the Cardinal and Gold can get by K-State, it will own a better than even chance to reach the finals. For it figures to handle either Colorado or Oklahoma in the semifinals.

Missouri remains a light favorite. The Tigers will bring in a 4-2 level, but only seven points are between them and an unblemished record. Purdue beat them, 62-58, at Lafayette and Indiana clipped them, 81-78, in Columbia. The Hoosiers are ranked eighteenth on the latest

Gary Thompson, clever Iowa State junior, second at 23.2. Rolles is only two-tenths behind.

High for Thompson.

Thompson exceeded two tournament records against Vanderbilt in collecting forty points. This is one more than Sherman Norton's single-game meet standard erected by the O. U. forward against Stanford in '51. Thompson's eighteen free throws is four beyond the tournament ceiling now held jointly by Kansas State's Dick Knostman and Bill Brainard of Kansas.

Rolles scored thirty-seven points against Brown while Stewart has games of thirty, thirty-one and thirty-six on his ledger. All three pose threats to Clyde Lovelette's single-tournament mark of eighty-two which the old Kansas mastadon established in 1950.

Here are the top fifteen pre-tournament scoring leaders.

	G.	FG.	FT-FTA.	TP.	Avg.
Norm Stewart, M. U.	6	59	39-52	157	26.2
Gary Thompson, I. S.	6	43	53-73	189	23.2
Chuck Rolles, Cornell	5	46	23-31	115	23.0
Leroy Bacher, O. U.	7	42	37-56	121	17.3
Jack Parr, K. S.	6	40	17-35	97	16.3
Jim Ranglos, C. U....	6	33	30-43	96	16.0
Chuck Smith, N. U...	7	35	41-60	111	15.9
Jimmy Peck, O. U...	7	38	28-33	104	14.9
Dallas Dobbs, K. U...	6	33	23-32	89	14.9
Maurice King, K. U...	6	30	27-39	87	14.5
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Chuck Vogt, I. S. ..	6	25	21-35	71	11.9
Joe King, O. U.	7	24	33-45	81	11.6
*Rex Ekwall, N. U...	5	18	22-31	58	11.6

*Missed two games because of illness.

Previous Tournament Champions.

	Champion	Runner-up
1946	S. M. U. 46	Kansas 49
1947	Kansas State 50,	Oklahoma A. & M. 43
1948	Oklahoma 52	Kansas 49
1949	Missouri 44	Oklahoma 42
1950	Kansas State 70	Minnesota 62
1951	Kansas 75	Missouri 65
1952	Kansas State 93	Kansas 87
1953	Kansas 82	Oklahoma 73
1954	Missouri 89	Kansas State 71

Associated Press tables. And M. U. whipped Illinois, No. 17, 74-73. This is tougher fare than the Cyclones have been chewing. And to reach for Texas Tech again for comparison, the Bengals slaughtered the Raiders by thirty-two, 92-60, in Columbia.

However, Missouri faces no easy path. In addition to the new Cyclone menace, the Tigers are bracketed with Kansas, a team it never has beaten in four tournament matches. This would be a semifinal match if the Tigers dispose of Nebraska and K. U. clears Cornell, this year's guest team. Furthermore, no defending champion ever has repeated in this event.

Rolles a Cornell Star.

The latter engagement is surrounded by upset possibilities as is the Oklahoma-Colorado face-off. Cornell is 3-2, a half-game behind Kansas. But it will field a front line of 6-4, 6-5, 6-4 and floor the meet's No. 3 pre-tourney scorer in Chuck Rolles, 5-6 guard. Jawhawkers have huffed and puffed to write their 4-2 level, owning only 1.1 per game victory spread despite their .600 reading.

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K-STATE FIRST FOR CYCLONES IN BIG 7 MEET

Iowa State Seeks No. 6 Tonight.

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PROBABLE LINEUPS.

Iowa State.			Kansas State.
Vogt, 6-5	F	Fischer, 6-4	
Crawford, 6-5	F	Stone, 6-3	
Medsker, 6-8	C	Parr, 6-9	
Thomp'on, 5-10	G	Schneider, 6-3	
Frahm, 6-1	G	Vicens, 5-9	

By Maury White.

(Staff Writer.)

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Iowa State puts the Big Seven's best basketball record on the line here against Kansas State tonight, starting at 9:30 o'clock, in the Big Seven tournament.

The once-beaten Cyclones will go after victory No. 6 in the second game after Colorado (3-3) and Oklahoma (2-5) meet in the opener at 7:30 o'clock.

Led by guard Gary Thompson, who scored a school-record 40 points in Friday's upset of nationally-ranked Vanderbilt, the Cyclones come into this tenth annual meet highly regarded.

If the Cyclones can get by the young, tall Wildcats tonight they are good bets to at least equal last year's third, their first first division finish since 1948.

Three Sophs.

Coach Bill Strannigan expects to start three sophomores—6-foot 8-inch Don Medsker, John Crawford and Lyle Frahm—along with veterans Thompson and 6-5 Chuck Vogt.

Four of these players have occupied regular roles all season while Frahm, hampered by an ankle injury, got off to a slow start.

"Lyle played real well defensively against Vanderbilt, and offensively as far as that goes," said Strannigan. "He started hitting his stride on our road trip to Colorado."

Kansas State is expected to start two rookies—6-9 Jack Parr and 6-4 Larry Fischer. It has a 3-3 record with one of the losses being at Drake, 70-64.

One of the features of the game should be Thompson vs. Pachin Vicens, the Wildcats 5-9 ballhandling star built along the same slick, quick lines as Gary.

Inch Taller.

Parr, an inch taller than the highest Iowa Stater, has averaged 16.2 points.

A year ago both teams won their openers, advanced in the winners bracket and Kansas State won the semifinal game, 70-60. Then it added two more victories during the regular season.

Colorado, victor over the State University of Iowa, meets Oklahoma in tonight's opener.

The Buffs won the Big Seven regular season race a year ago, but have only one starter back.

Buffs Hard to Figure In Big Seven Tourney

BUFFALO SCOREBOARD.

Record to Date—W 3, L 2; 63 Oregon State 53; 62 Oregon 49; 60 Iowa 57; 53 B. Y. U. 70; 53 B. Y. U. 84.

Returning Lettermen—6; Mel Coffman, f.; George Hannah, c.; Mick Mansfield, g.; Dave Mowbray, g.; Bill Peterson, g.; Jim Ranglos, f.

1955 Big Seven Finish—First, 11-1; all games, 19-6.

Previous Tournament Finishes—1946, did not compete; 1947, eighth; 1949, fourth; 1950, eighth; 1951, sixth; 1952, fifth; 1953, seventh; 1954, fifth. Won 8, lost 16. Percentage, .333.

Remaining Pre-tournament Games—December 22, Colorado A. and M. at Fort Collins.

First Round Opponent—Oklahoma, 7:30 p. m., December 27.

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These Were Standouts.

Gone are Center Burdette Haldorson, 2-time Big Seven scoring champion; Bob Jeangerard, possibly the loop's all-round best through the 1955 season, and those two canny guards, Charles Mock and Tom Harrold.

Only holdovers are Mel Coffman, 6-3 ex-marine, and Jim Ranglos, the high-leaping Greek, who also measures 6-3. They shared a regular forward berth opposite Jeangerard last season as the Mountaineers bagged their first undisputed league cage title since departing the old Skyline confederacy.

Tournament fans will see a club a few cuts below the champions of the past two years. But no one need shed tears over Bebe Lee's gang. It carries adequate size, balance, and depth. Quite likely it will present the tourney's best ball-control. Experience is not as absent as it might seem either.

Although Ranglos and Coffman necessarily are the cornerstones, the key man is George Hannah, 6-7, 205-pound center who has earned two letters in relief for Haldorson.

The big senior is averaging 9.2 through C. U.'s first five games and tipped in the winning goal in the 60-57 conquest of Iowa. Ranglos ranked ninth on pre-tournament scoring tables (through games of last Saturday) at 14.8. Up to the dual disaster at Provo, Coffman had assume Jeangerard's shoes by limiting his personal foes to a meager five points through the first three games. A 1-point policing job of Iowa's Carl Cain featured.

One Starter Injured.

Bill Peterson, 6-0 lettered senior, who played well in the N. C. A. A. tournament last year, and Dave Mowbray, 6-1 lettered junior, have taken over for Mock and Harrold in the

Records of Big Seven Basketball Teams.

(Key: H—Home game, V—Away game, N—Neutral court, *Overtime period.)

COLORADO.

63	Oregon State	53V
68	Oregon	49V
60	Iowa	57H
53	Brigham Young	70V
55	Brigham Young	84V

IOWA STATE.

86	North Dakota State	60H
72	Texas Tech	52H
62	Tulsa	50H
72	Colorado A. and M.	60V

KANSAS STATE.

89	Texas Tech	70H
72	Indiana	96V
64	Drake	70V
92	Loyola (L. A.)	66H
74	Washington (Seattle)	69H

KANSAS.

91	Northwestern	70H
56	Wichita	55V
74	Wisconsin	66V
61	Southern Methodist	81V
66	Rice	75V

MISSOURI.

71	South Dakota	46H
53	Purdue	62V
92	Texas Tech	60H
74	Illinois	73H
78	Indiana	81H
81	Idaho	57H

NEBRASKA.

51	Iowa	60V
69	Texas Tech	63H
71	Michigan	77V
46	Wichita	71V
71	U. C. L. A.	65H
52	Wisconsin	71V

OKLAHOMA.

65	Baylor	55H
47	Rice	79H
69	Vanderbilt	78V
68	Ohio State	89V
69	Arkansas	59H

CORNELL.

(Guest Team in Big Seven Tourney.)

83	Buffalo	73H
82	Colgate	76H
59	Harvard	81H
82	Brown	63H

Missouri Cops 71-66 Cage Win

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 29.—Missouri's touted Tigers were all their name implies on the boards here Wednesday night as they held off a determined, underdog Nebraska for a 71-to-66 victory in a Big Seven tournament first-round match.

The Tigers broke into a five-point halftime edge (36-31) and nursed it through the final 20 minutes with tenacious rebounding which consistently limited the enemy to a single offensive cast.

After the score had been tied nine times and the lead changed hands on five other occasions in the first half, Missouri moved in front to stay at 30-29 with 2:30 left in the half on Bill Ross' jumper from the side.

Lionel Smith quickly followed with four successive free throws and high-scoring Norm Stewart hit a fielder to more than offset Jim Kubacki's two pointer and give the Tigers their halftime edge.

Rex Eckwall, who topped the game scorers with 25 points, and Kubacki kept the Cornhuskers within striking distance and led a rally which brought them to within a single point at 48-49.

Lionel Smith led Missouri's scoring with 22 points as Stewart, who carried a 26.3 average into the tournament, managed 16 points on seven goals and a pair of free throws.—G. F.

NEBRASKA (66)

Players	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PF	TP	Rbs.
C. Smith	1	10	5	1	2	7	8
Smidt	5	13	2	3	5	12	9
Eckwall	6	10	13	14	3	25	6
Mercier	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Coufal	2	7	0	0	2	4	4
Kubacki	4	12	10	12	3	18	4
Reimers	0	2	0	2	2	0	4
Nannen	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
Arwood	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Doebele	0	1	0	3	0	0	2
Team rebounds							6
Totals	18	58	30	48	18	66	45

MISSOURI (71)

Players	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	PF	TP	Rbs.
Ross	4	17	3	6	5	11	10
Reichert	3	7	2	4	4	8	2
Denny	2	9	5	6	3	9	9
Stewart	7	22	2	5	2	16	13
L. Smith	8	16	6	6	5	22	11
Stephens	0	5	3	4	5	3	7
Stehr	0	1	0	0	2	0	2
Egelhoff	1	3	0	0	3	2	2
Team rebounds							2
Totals	25	80	21	31	29	71	58

Nebraska	31	35—66
Missouri	36	35—71

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BIG SEVEN TOURNAMENT SCOREBOARD

	W	L	Pct.	Pts.	Op. Pts
Colorado	3	0	1.000	191	159
Iowa State	3	0	1.000	220	162
Kansas	3	0	1.000	221	191
Missouri	3	1	.750	295	241
Cornell	2	1	.667	224	230
Kansas State	1	2	.333	225	236
Nebraska	1	3	.250	237	271
Oklahoma	1	3	.250	270	263

Scores and Pre-tournament Schedules

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Oklahoma

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47 Rice 62

69 Vanderbilt 78

89 Ohio State 68

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Surprix Colorado is the surprise team of the Big Seven's early basketball milling as league schools edge toward their tenth annual tournament late this month at Municipal auditorium.

Before the season opened there was sharp division of opinion concerning Buffalo fortunes for 1955-56. Some railbirds thought loss of four starters from last year's conference champions would drop the Herd into the lower reaches of the league. Others maintained xxxxxxxx the momentum of the past two years, which has seen xx CU represent the league in NCAA tournament play , would carry them into contention right down to the wire.

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Even their most optimistic backersx did not expect a 3-0 Buff reading at this date. Among the victims are two defending conference champions, Oregon State, xx of the PCC, and Iowa of the Big Ten. Bebe Lee's madeover club..... Jim Ranglos and Mel Coffman who shared one forward spot last year are xxx represent the only starting returnees ..... tumbled State , 63-53, at Corvallis, and edged xxxx the Hawkeyes, 6-57, Monday in Boulder.

The latter conquest , of course, was the most significant. For it marked Iowa's first defeat in three starts. It should be noted the Hawkeyes lost only one regular from last year's fourth-place NCAA finishers, and are favored over Illinois and Indiana to repeat. Furthermore, the Buffaloes were without the services of one of xxxxxxxxxx there regular guards, Mick Mansfield, who wrenched a knee at Corvallis.

In between these wins, CU overran Oregon, 68-49.

Cokorado is winning with ball-control, scoring xxxxxx balance, and the same resolute defense that has yielded the Big Seven championship of that department the past two seasons.

The Buffs put up xxxx an average of only 55 shots per game in their first three. They have scored fewer points than any other league team, 191, but restricted the enemy to xxxx an average of 53.0. Two men xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx, Ranglos, and Bill Peterson, an unheralded senior guard, are sailing among the Top Fifteen pre-tournament xxxxxxxxxxxx scorers respective averages of 13.3 and 12.0.

CU runs into another rugged test Friday and Saturday in a two-game set with Brigham Young, eighth-ranked in the latest AP poll, at Provo.

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Those two games , plus the Kansas-SMU match at Dallas, and the Missouri-Indiana affair at Columbia, ~~xxxxxxxx~~ both Saturday night, will hold the spotlight through the remainder of the week .

Impressive as ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ it has been, CU hilds no better than a share of the pre-tournament lead since Kansas , 18th -rated on the most recent AP ballot, and Iowa State, also are ~~xxxxxing~~ carrying 3-0 marks.

Cornell , this year's guest team, lost a perfect record, when upset by Harvard, 59-81, Saturday.

Norm Stewart, Missouri's big blond forward-guard, holds a wide lead in the individual point derbywith a 26.5 average. He has been beyond 30 points twice in the Tigers' first four games.

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Ray Zelek, c,	Cornell	2	8	12-15	5	28	14.0
Jim Rangles,f	Colorado	3	15	10-16	7	40	13.3
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Lee has played at least nine meen in every game, which means he is seasoning underclassmen like George Redhair, Bob Helzer, Dick Nicholson, and Jim Jochems as rapidly as possible. The latter is the most important since he is Hannah's replacement and can maintain that 6-7 height in the pivot.

BIG SEVEN TOURNAMENT TEAM OFFENSIVE RECORDS

Most points single game - 103 by Stanford vs. Iowa State, 1951 (overtime)

Most points tournament - 265 , Kansas State , 1952

Highest career average - 203.1 Kansas State

Most field goals game - 38 Iowa State vs. Stanford, 1951, and Kansas State vs. Iowa State, 1953

Most field goals career - 665 Kansas State

Most free throws game - 37 Missuri vs. Oklahoma , 1954

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Most free throws ~~tournamentx~~ tournament - 91 Missouri, 1954~~5~~

Most free throws career - 529 Oklahoma

Most fouls game - 38 Oklahoma vs. Kansas , 1953

Most fouls tournament - 87 Oklahoma and Kansas , 1953

Most fouls career - 600 Iowa State.