

as , at least half the teams in the tourney field. Kansas was pressed all the way before subduing the Hurricane, 73-66. This is the fourth tightest fit in the entire 33-game winning streak.

For the first time in six years , the Mt. Oreadians will not ~~mount~~ mount a towerhouse terror at the pivot. B.H. Born has followed Clyde Lovellette into post-graduate play. Between the pair they earned three varsity all-American accolades; ~~and~~ five all-conference ~~and~~ conference posts, and four league scoring championships.

Also the Jayhawks' defense , altho following the same half-court ~~press~~ switching press of the past three seasons, is a few cuts below those of recent years in efficiency. Rice ripped the Kansans badly for close-range goals in the first of their two -game set, before losing, 67-77.

This means, then, that KU is virtually minus the two major weapons which it has parlayed into one NCAA title, one NCAA runner-uppancy, <sup>outright</sup> two championships, ~~and~~ two co-championships, and two tournament titles, over the past five seasons.

Until Lew Johnson, the hard-battling 6-6½ sophomore pivot, comes along as a genuine threat, and the team defense improves, then Kansas must do it with sharp firing from the field, ~~unabated~~ unabated hustle, and capable bench strength. This is not likely to be enough against Missouri, Colorado, California, or resurgent Kansas State, which the Hawkers figure to fight for third place in the upcoming conference derby.

~~Mr~~ Personnel-wise, KU's most dangerous man is Dallas Dobbs, the nifty 5-11 returning all-conference guard from Bartlesville, Okla. As a sophomore last winter, Dobbs scored 270 points, most ever unwound by a Crimson and Blue g sentinel in a single-season.