

big seven roundup
for kc star
5 of 8
nebraska

CORNEHUSKER SCOREBOARD

Record to date - W2, L2; 61 Iowa 84; 87 South Dakota 51;
93 Bradley 68; 76 Alabama 88

Returning lettermen - (5) - Willard Fagler, c; Chuck
Smith, f; Stan Matzke, f-g; Dunae Buel, g; Gary Renzelman, c

1954 Big Seven finish - 5th, 4-8; all games 8-13

Previous tournament finishes : 1946- 6th; 1947- 4th;
1948 - 7th; 1949- 7th; 1950 - 4th; 1951 - 8th ; 1952 - 6th; 1953 - 4th
(W7, L17, .291)

Remaining pre-tournament games - Dec. 22 Memphis State
at Memphis

First round opponent - Missouri, 9:45 p.m. Monday

During Harry Godd's regime, Nebraska was a basketball
team which made a practice of playing possum in the Big Seven tournament
with a low finish then ambushing its conference brethren once the league
race opened. In 1948 vx

In the 1948 and '49 tourney, for instance, the
Cornhuskers barely escaped the tourney basement with seventh place
finishes. But it shared the championship in the following conference
race once the years changed vx just after tournament time. Fact is
The Scarlet never has been higher than fourth in the annual Kansas City
fixture which opens Monday for the ninth time on the Municipal auditorium
planks.

vx vx There is no evidence to vx vx hope
the Huskers will climb beyond that ceiling this trip under Jerry Bush, the
new coach from Toledo. Nu lost its top three scorers, Bill Johnson,
Fred Segar, and Don Weber, via graduation. Only returning regulars
are Willard Fagler, 6-5 converted forward at center, and Chuck Smith, mobile