A 6-9 length of lefthander, Kansas: B: H. Born, will be the prime guardian of the post-man's unbroken string of individual Big Seven tournament scoring champions when the eighth annual meet gets out of the starting blocks Saturday night in Kansas City.

This phenomenon of pivot-man dominance of the tourney point race was originated by Oklahoma's "erald Tucker in 1946, when the meet was founded in the final year of the old Bi g Six. The hefty, 6-4 Sooner center rimsed 64 points over the three-game route despite OU's first -round upset at the hands of Kansas State. This stood as a tournament record for g four years before the Jayhawker Colussus, Clyde Lovellette, fingered home 82 markers as a junior in 1950.

Since Tucker's auspicious start, the loop's centers haven't allowed the individual point flag max escape the keyhole brigade in seven consecutive meets. Bill Waters, the ponderous hoss who succeeded Tucker as OU's top pivot, also followed him as tournament scoring monarch with 40 points in 1947. This represents the all-time low for a meet maxx point title but it still was good enough to edge Harold Howey, fiery forward of Kansas State's champions by two lengths.

KU's Gene Petersen, although a forward most of his career, played the post in the 1948 meet and thereby maintained the post-man skein by bagging the scoring pennant at 51.

Here is the breakdown on the current streak: