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Just another story of the University of Kansas and Dr. Forrest C. (Phog) Allen.

That is a brief summary of the 1937-38 basketball season in the Big Six conference.

The other coaches didn't mean it to be, but they never do, so there wasn't any particular change therein. However, the prevailing ^{pre-season} word of the ~~pre-season~~ 1937-38 of ~~the/1938~~ schedule seemed to have it that the Jayhawkers at last had come to the end of their ~~maxx~~ winning way. Nebraska was to be the new bellcow of ^{Six} Big-6 basketball...and everyone save the folks at K.U. of course, were happy about that. The K.U. folks just kept marking time.

Coach Browne had four seniors on his Cornhusker team. That probably was the main reason the Cornhuskers were the pre-season favorites. ~~TKXX~~ They had been hard to beat in the 1937 season when they shared the conference championship with Kansas. ^{Coach G. Edwards of} Missouri and ^{Frank Root of} Kansas State with ^{several} veterans returning were rated highly, ^{merge} Iowa State with green material wasn't figured to cause great trouble and ^{McDermott} Kansas and Oklahoma were looked on only as trouble makers.

Reference to the standings at the finish will show how the season's play muddled the prognostications of the "dopesters". Kansas and Oklahoma took charge of the race and Oklahoma defeated Kansas in the first game of the season. From then on, however, the Jayhawkers ^{assumed} ~~took charge of~~ the ^{master role} ~~race~~ although the Sooners were worthy opponents and proved that worth throughout the race.

Kansas in fighting its way to the seventh basketball championship in the brief history of the conference was paced by Fred Pralle, a St. Louis boy and one of the most brilliant players ever turned out by the distinguished coach of the Jayhawkers.