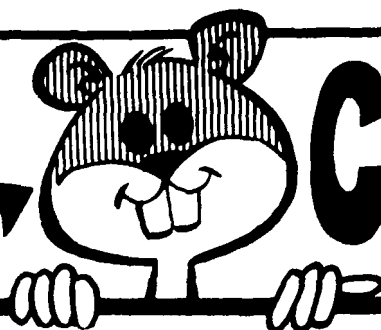


GOPHER CHATTER

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BLUELINE, BACK COURT CLUBS OFFER FANS OPPORTUNITY FOR FIRST-HAND, INSIDE INFORMATION

— BASKETBALL —

Basketball fans, here is your opportunity to be in on the very latest word on college and professional basketball.

Attend the fine luncheon meetings of the Gopher Back Court Club at Jax Cafe.

Bill Fitch, Minnesota's exciting new basketball coach, is the featured speaker at each meeting and will keep you completely informed on the Gophers and their upcoming opponents. Visiting coaches will also take part in the programs. Many other outstanding sports personalities participate. The area's top high school basketball players are present to be honored.

The remaining luncheon meetings:

Tuesday, January 21
Tuesday, January 28
Tuesday, February 11
Tuesday, February 18
Tuesday, March 4
Tuesday, March 11

Remember, the place is Jax Cafe, 1922 University Ave. N.E., Minneapolis.

— HOCKEY —

The Gopher Blueline Club is in its sixth year of operation. It has had five successful years of meetings on Fridays at Jax Cafe in northeast Minneapolis. All the members and guests have had many enjoyable luncheon meetings throughout the Gopher hockey seasons — good laughs, some entertaining speakers, and many high school and Gopher stars.

In five years, the club has donated nearly \$2,000.00 to hockey scholarships at Minnesota.

Hear current comments from Gopher Coach Glen Sonmor, views from the visiting collegiate coaches, and also pay tribute to outstanding high school hockey athletes in the area who are worthy of recognition by our Blueline organization.

REMAINING BLUELINE SCHEDULE:

Fri., Jan. 24 (Mich Tech) Fri., Feb. 14 (Michigan)
Fri., Feb. 7 (UMD) Fri., Feb. 28 (Colorado Coll.)
All meetings at Jax Cafe, 1922 University Avenue N.E., Minneapolis, Minn. 55418.

3 WINTER SPORTS DAYS ATTRACT PREP ATHLETES

The University of Minnesota Athletic department has invited high school athletes to attend three big Winter Sports Days in 1969. The special price is only \$1.00 per day. The schedule of events indicates the opportunities for seeing the Gophers in action in several sports. For information call 373-3181, Athletic Ticket Office.

Saturday, January 25

11:30 a.m. TRACK — Frosh-Varsity Meet
1:00 p.m. SWIMMING — Ohio St., Ill. (Triple Dual)
1:15 p.m. HOCKEY — Prelim West vs. Marshall (Roch)
1:30 p.m. WRESTLING — Utah
2:00 p.m. GYMNASTICS — Mich. St. & Ind. St. Coll.
3:00 p.m. HOCKEY — Michigan Tech
6:15 p.m. BASKETBALL— Prelim Marshall-U vs. 2-Harbors
8:00 p.m. BASKETBALL— Purdue

Saturday, February 1

12:00 noon WRESTLING — Ariz. St., Nebr., N. Iowa U
1:00 p.m. GYMNASTICS — Mich. & St. Cloud State
2:30 p.m. SWIMMING — Indiana
3:30 p.m. TRACK — Illinois (Coaches Clinic 9 a.m.)
6:15 p.m. BASKETBALL— Prelim Frosh Intra-Squad
8:00 p.m. BASKETBALL— Northwestern

Saturday, February 8

12:00 noon WRESTLING — Wis., Purdue, Ill.
2:00 p.m. SWIMMING — Wisconsin & Purdue
3:00 p.m. GYMNASTICS — Wisconsin
6:15 p.m. HOCKEY — Prelim Hill vs. St. Paul Acad.
8:00 p.m. HOCKEY — U of M, Duluth

BASKETBALL & HOCKEY

BIG 10 SEASON BEGINS ON BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:

Sat., Feb. 1 — Northwestern
Tue., Feb. 11 — Wisconsin
Sat., Feb. 22 — Indiana
Tue., Mar. 4 — Iowa
Sat., Mar. 8 — Mich. State

A STRONG HOCKEY LEAGUE FACES HOCKEY GOPHERS:

Fri., Sat., Jan. 17, 18 — Michigan State
Fri., Sat., Jan. 24, 25 — Michigan Tech
Fri., Sat., Feb. 7, 8 — U of M, Duluth
Fri., Sat., Feb. 14, 15 — Michigan
Fri., Sat., Feb. 28, Mar. 1 — Colorado College

Gymnasts in Heavy Traffic as Pat Bird Takes Over

The Gopher gymnasts, with new coach Pat Bird moving up from assistant coach, and switching spots with his old boss, Ralph Piper, are heading into the heavy traffic of their schedule. On Wednesday, January 22nd, Stout State invades Williams Arena, and then on Saturday, January 25th, Minnesota hosts Michigan State and Indiana State. Bird's crew will then do battle in nine other meets before the Conference championships on March 20, 21, and 22.



Pat Bird

Larry Peterson, a two-time letterman, returns to give the Gophers strength in the floor exercise and long horse. Another top performer back is junior letterman Fred Kueffer in the all-around, with his specialty the rings. Captain Dave Stande adds depth and experience as an all-around performer, and several talented sophomores will push the veterans.

ENDERLE BOOSTS WRESTLERS

The football season couldn't end soon enough to suit wrestling coach Wally Johnson.

With star heavyweight, Dick Enderle, participating in the Shrine East-West game the Gophers encountered some rough going in early season matches without Enderle.

This year's squad is built around Brian Taylor, 123 pound senior from Robbinsdale Cooper; Frank Nichols, 130 pound senior from Crosby-Ironton; Gary Pelcl, 145 pound junior from Hopkins; Terry Sworsky, 152 pound senior and Tony Sworsky, 160 pound senior from Fridley; Mike Maas, 167 pound senior from Fridley; Jim Axtell, 167 pound sophomore from Alexander Ramsey; and Enderle.

Don Meyers, an outstanding Gopher wrestler in 1955-56-57 and now assistant principal at Fridley High where he coached many championship teams, is assisting Johnson.

50-cents Youth Ticket to Admit to Hockey, Basketball

Now available through the Athletic Ticket Office at the University of Minnesota is a special youth admission ticket priced at 50 cents which will admit to Gopher home hockey and basketball games.

These tickets are available to grade school and junior high school groups; also scout groups.

Groups are not limited in number, and one adult supervisor for each 10 boys will be admitted at the 50 cent rate. These tickets must be ordered at least two weeks in advance of the date of the desired event. They will not be sold at the gate.

Application forms for these youth tickets are available through the Athletic Ticket Office, 108 Cooke Hall, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis 55455. Phone 373-3181.

Mowerson Looks for 1st Division Swim Team Finish

Bob Mowerson has only been out of the first division once in his tenure as head swimming coach at Minnesota and he doesn't expect 1969 to be the 2nd year for that failure to occur. The Gophers are facing four straight home meets against Big Ten opposition prior to the Big Ten championships the last weekend in February in Madison.



Marty Knight

As Mowerson puts it, "Where we are good, we're very good, and where we are bad, we're quite bad." Captain Marty Knight, a strong 200 yard freestyler, is the best Gopher bet as a point-getter in all meets, with Dave Lundberg of Hopkins, another freestyler, right up there in Knight's class. Depth has been a problem for coach Mowerson in the past, and this year is no exception, although his prediction for a first division finish in the Big Ten meet should be accurate.

Pyle, Shannon Frosh Basketball Standouts

The 1968-69 Minnesota freshman basketball team has two of the finest individuals - Jerry Pyle and Ollie Shannon - to play here in many years, according to coach Jerry Kindall.

"We don't have the team scoring balance and height we've had the last couple of years," Kindall says, "but we are fortunate to have two outstanding basketball players in Pyle and Shannon."

Pyle, a 6 - 7 center from Casselton, N.D., was a highly recruited high school All-American. "Jerry is an excellent ball-handler although he does need to work on his shooting," Kindall says. "He can play any position and is a great prospect."

Shannon, a 6 - 3 guard from Brooklyn, N.Y., is the team's best shooter and strongest player. "Ollie is quite

capable of being an All-American," Kindall says.

Other top prospects are 6 - 0 guard Roger Arnold, Effingham, Ill., and 6 - 4 forward Jim Thompson, Richfield. Arnold is the team's "quarterback" and is an excellent ball-handler and good shot. Thompson is a good shooter and Coach Kindall has been very pleased with his performance.

As last year, the freshmen play three games, two at Williams Arena, against outside opposition. On Jan. 11, the Gopher frosh played Anoka-Ramsey Jr. College in a prelim to the Minnesota-Michigan varsity game. On March 4, Normandale Jr. College will provide the opposition in a 6:15 p.m. preliminary game to the Minnesota-Iowa varsity contest. The squad will travel to St. Cloud to play the St. Cloud St. College Junior Varsity on Jan. 22.

Comments From Cooke

Several large contributions arrived late in December to bolster the 1968 Williams Fund Campaign. Sincere thanks to our friends at West Publishing Company, the Gopher Blueline Club, Minneapolis Clearing House Association, the Twin City Iron Rangers Association and the St. Paul Williams Scholarship Stag Committee.

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Follow the Gopher Basketball team on WCCO Radio - Ray Christensen will be doing the play-by-play on most of the remaining conference games. Two televised road games will be January 18th at Iowa and February 8th at Indiana on Channel 4.

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The annual high school track coaches clinic will be held on campus Saturday, February 1st.

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Undergraduate "M" Club members are busy finding dates for the February 12th Dinner-Dance at the Minneapolis Athletic Club.

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We're still proud that four Gopher footballers made the All-Big Ten Academic 1st Team. A tip of the mortar-board to: Wayne King, Barry Mayer, Noel Jenke, and Bob Stein.

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Rochester-area "M" men are getting together for their big annual Regional Meeting on Monday, January 27th. See you there!

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The Faribault High School Athletic Field was recently renamed the Bruce Smith Field in memory of the former Gopher great.

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Marsh Ryman recently received this thoughtful letter and a Williams Fund contribution from Chuck Killian - football captain in 1966:

"I realize that the time and effort that go into the Williams Scholarship Fund Drive are what make it a success. I think this is a definite reflection of the hard work that is put in by you and your staff and you all should be congratulated for it.

I feel it is a great Fund serving a great purpose. I can't help but feel that it has in the past and will continue in the future to contribute to the maintenance of high academic and athletic standards at the University of Minnesota. I would like to be a part of all that now and in the future. I hope this contribution can be of help.

If there is anything else I can do for our school, do not hesitate to let me know. With best personal regards."

Chuck is a resident Hospital Administrator in Seattle, Washington.

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Three football seniors played in this year's East-West Shrine Game - Dick Enderle, Noel Jenke and Bob Stein. Ezell Jones, Chip Litten, Dennis Hale and Tom Fink also played in post-season bowl games.

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Frank McCormick reports from California that he is recovering well from his illness.

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Chevrolet Motor Division sponsored the Big Ten Queens appearance in Minneapolis - following this event, Glen Reed received a complimentary letter from them about our varsity captains who served as escorts:

"I don't think I can go any further without thanking ten very fine gentlemen which represented the school. The ten team captains which escorted our queens were all fine young men who helped us in every

Strong Distance Corps . . .

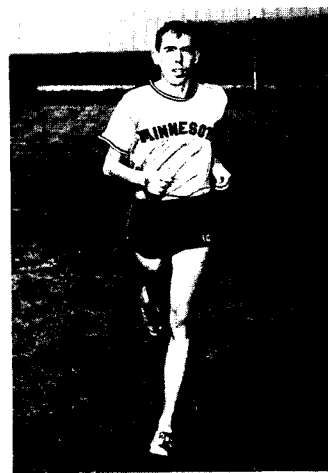
INDOOR TRACK PROSPECTS GOOD

Minnesota's indoor track team may find it difficult to repeat last spring's outdoor championship, but the development of several sophomores and the strength in the distance events could find the Gopher thinclads finishing in a respectable position.

"We lost a lot of talent in the sprints and hurdles," coach Roy Griak said. "But if some of our sophomores come through, we could have a very representative team."

Sophomore sprinters Greg Lokken, Moorhead, and Al Shapiro, St. Louis Park, will join two lettermen, juniors Pete Shea, Richfield, and Allen Auerbach, Milton, Fla., in an attempt to fill the spots left vacant by Hubie Bryant, Randy Jones, and Rich Simonsen.

"We'll be strong from the 440 and up," Griak said. "We've got a lot of veterans back and some top sophomores." Heading the list are Captain Ed Twomey, Golden Valley; Bob Wagner, St. Louis Park; Steve Hoag, Anoka; Tim Turnbull, Hopkins; Marty Johnson, Minnetonka; Ben Grockett, Minneapolis; Pat Kelly, St. Paul; and Curt Dockter, Osseo.



Ed Twomey

The Gophers will be fairly strong in all the field events except the pole vault. Dan Wicks, Watertown, So. Dak., and Tom Bracher, St. Louis Park, will give Minnesota a strong duo in the shot put and discus. Bruce Hella, Fargo, No. Dak., and Jim Ohnstad, Faribault, are a good one-two punch in the long jump. Sophomore high jumper Tim Heikkila, Superior, Wis., is the top choice to fill the event left open by the loss of Tom Stuart.

possible way. I only regret that men like them are not seen more by the public so that they can understand there are such fine men in our universities."

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We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of Larry Armstrong, Packy Paquette, Clarence Osell and Dr. George Hauser.

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On a recent Alumni trip to Jacksonville, St. Petersburg, and Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Marsh Ryman returned with greetings from Pat Turner, W. R. Smith, George Faber, Carroll Geddes and Bill Middlebrook.

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Still another honor has come to Bob Stein - the National Collegiate Athletic Association \$1,000 scholarship for postgraduate study at the university or professional school of his choice. At the moment Bob is undecided between Law and Medicine.

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The five winter sports clinics Nov. 1 for athletic directors and coaches in basketball (417), hockey (109), swimming (93), wrestling (250), and AD's (140) attracted a record combined total of 1,009 including 32 out-of-state coaches from Wisconsin, Iowa, North and South Dakota. The host athletic dept. served 1,050 free lunches to those in attendance and on the programs.

Personality Profile . . .

HOLGER K. CHRISTIANSEN



One of the most unglamorous, but most important, jobs in the Athletic Department at Minnesota is handled by Holger K. Christiansen, Athletic Finance and Facilities Coordinator.

Holger joined the Athletic Department in 1963 when the position was created by the separation of the School of Physical Education and Intercollegiate Athletics. He is in charge of budgetry matters and the program for maintenance and expansion of facilities for both Intercollegiate Athletics and the School of Physical Education. His job also includes

the scheduling of all athletic events utilizing University facilities.

Holger is a native of Slayton, Minn., where he was an active high school athlete, captaining the football and basketball teams. In 1950 he received his Bachelor of Arts degree at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, with a major in Business Administration.

From 1952 to 1962, Holger was a partner in a Slayton dairy. While in Slayton, he was active in civic affairs, serving on the City Council for six years. He also was a member of the Board of Directors of the Slayton Civic and Commerce Assn. and served as commander of the local American Legion Post. In 1962, he left Slayton to do graduate work at the University, receiving his Master of Arts degree in Public Administration the following year.

Holger and his wife, Dagny, have five children — four boys and one girl — ranging from five to 19 years old.

New Regent Hall Has Athletic Background

Dr. Harry B. Hall who was recently appointed to the University of Minnesota Board of Regents has a substantial athletic background, a recent check by athletic director Marsh Ryman revealed.

Dr. Hall, a graduate of Little Falls High School in 1927, participated on the 1929 Gopher freshman football squad, was on the varsity squads of 1930 and '31; played freshman basketball in 1930; and was on the 1931 varsity baseball squad.

THE GOPHER CHATTER

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Sonmor Sees Hockey Frosh Filling Graduation Gap

Although the 1968-69 Minnesota varsity hockey team loses four top players through graduation, coach Glen Sonmor thinks there is enough talent on the current Gopher freshman team to offset the loss of Capt. Bill Klatt, Pete Fichuk, Don Fraser and Dave Roddy.

"We've got some hockey players who may help us immediately next season," Sonmor says, "They won't be in the class of those we lose, but they should be able to help us."

The freshman team, coached by ex-Gopher and Olympian Herb Brooks, is blessed with an array of good forwards. Jack Lindsey and Pete Christian, both of Hopkins; Doug Peltier, St. Paul Johnson; Bart Buetow, Mounds View; Bill Gambucci, Grand Forks, N.D.; and Don Dumais, Silver Bay, are all top prospects who Sonmor thinks will aid the 1969-70 Gophers.

"There isn't a blue-chip defenseman on the freshman team like Wally Olds was last year," Sonmor says, "but there are three who may help." The trio are Brad Buetow, Mounds View; Phil Anderson, St. Paul Johnson; and Stan Ringer, Blake.

Goaltenders Bill Bidon, Grand Forks, N.D., and Dennis Erickson, Duluth East, won't play much next year because of the return of Murray McLachlan and Ron Docken, but may help in two years.

The frosh will play three games with other schools, opening against North Dakota at Fargo on Jan. 18. Jan. 24 they travel to Duluth to play UMD and on March 1 the freshmen face Wisconsin at Madison.

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Gophers Seek Big 10 Title Repeats in Baseball and Track This Season

Trying to repeat as Conference champions is the biggest task facing Gopher baseball coach Dick Siebert as he heads into his 22nd season at Minnesota in 1969.

"Replacing nine graduated lettermen and two more first string undergraduate pitchers who will not be with us this season is our main problem to begin with," Siebert says. "However, this year's team is close to last year's club in terms of personnel. Even though we lost a lot of good pitchers, I still believe we will be strong on the mound again."

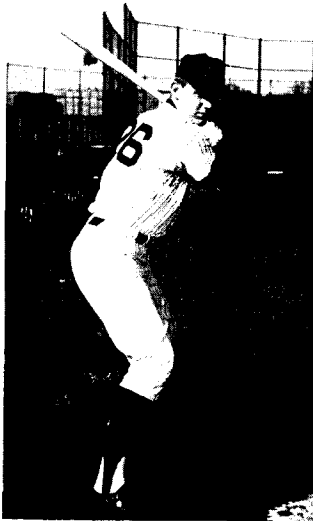
The Gophers posted a 6 - 7 record during their annual Texas trip even though Siebert split his varsity into "A" and "B" squads. "It was a good trip and I was pleased with the overall results," the coach said.

Siebert says two veteran, senior co-captain Jack Palmer (St. Paul) and junior Dave Cosgrove (Richfield), along with non-letterwinning junior Gary Petrich (Minneapolis), appear to be Minnesota's top three pitching starters. The fourth spot is up for grabs between senior Jay Youngquist (Minneapolis), who injured his arm last year, junior Bob Fisher (St. Paul), and three good looking sophomores including George Hoepner (Eau Claire, Wis.), Steve Chapman (Mound) and Bruce Ericson (Duluth).

The infield, except for shortstop, is manned by solid vets. Leading the way is junior first-baseman Mike Walseth (St. Paul Park), an All-Big Ten and NCAA District Four selection last year. Senior Bill Kendall (Richfield) is a fixture at third base in his third season as a starter while senior Brian Love (Minneapolis) should go at second. However, Love is being challenged by junior Bob Schnietz (St. Louis, Mo.). A JC transfer from a Chicago, Ill. school, Al Kaminski (Minneapolis), holds the inside track at shortstop.

Seniors Chris Farni (Robbinsdale) and Greg Wasick (Richfield), along with junior Bob Nielson (St. Peter), head the outfield corps in left, center and right, respectively. Challenging for a starter's role here are senior Noel Jenke (Owatonna), 1968 Minnesota football captain, and junior Ken Dage (Brainerd).

"If we get a strong performance from Kaminski at shortstop and our veterans play up to their potential," Siebert closed, "I have to say we can make a run for Big Ten honors again this year."



Mike Walseth

Another man with a 1968 title to equal is Minnesota track coach Roy Griak. His Gopher team of last spring won the first outdoor Big Ten cinder title in UM history. But Griak is far from being the optimist that baseballer Dick Siebert is when it comes to talking about a repeat performance.

"We lost way too many blue-chip athletes and will be much too young in 1969 to seriously consider taking the Conference crown again," Griak says. "However, we do have a few fine performers among our returnees (12) and some fine looking rookie prospects coming up. But we lack the overall depth and do not have enough front line winners to qualify as the Big Ten favorite."

Three senior returnees, who placed in this year's Big Ten indoor championships where the Gophers finished sixth, include captain Ed Twomey (Minneapolis), Steve Hoag (Anoka) and Bob Wagner (St. Louis Park). Twomey finished second in the 880, Hoag won the two-mile and Wagner ended fifth in the mile. Each also gained points in last year's outdoor meet. Other returning lettermen who placed in the 1968 outdoor meet include: senior Randy Jones (St. Louis Park), 440; junior Pete Shea (Richfield), 440 relay; junior Bruce Hella (Fargo, N.D.), long jump; and senior Dan Wicks (Watertown, S.D.), shot put and discus. Jones' status, however, is doubtful due to an early season leg injury.

The remaining lettermen include: junior Steve Eriksson (Minneapolis), 440, 660; and seniors Bill McNee (Roseville), hurdles; Jim Ohnstad (Fairbault), long and triple jump; and Bob Stein (St. Louis Park), discus. Another letterman, junior Tim Turnbull (Hopkins), has been lost for the season following a severe achilles tendon tear.

Top sophomore prospects are: Tim Heikkila (Superior, Wis.), high jump, hurdles; Eric Bauer (Minnetonka), long and triple jump; Tom Beltz (Bagley), 660 and 880; Jim Brunzell (White Bear Lake), high jump; Ben Grockett (Minneapolis), mile; Greg Lokken (Moorhead), sprints and hurdles; Barry Mayer (Fargo, N.D.), discus; Tom Page (Edina), 3-mile and steeplechase; Jim Rutz (St. Louis Park), pole vault; Al Shapiro (St. Louis Park), 440 and 660; and Don Timm (Burnsville), 3-mile and steeplechase.

Of the latter group, Griak expects Rutz in the pole vault to gain the most points while he rates Hoag, Wagner and Twomey to lead the varsity in the distance races. "Our 1969 strength lies in the distances from the half-mile up," Griak says.

PLAN ALL-COMER TRACK MEETS

Again this summer, the athletic department of the University, in conjunction with Investors Diversified Service, will sponsor All-Comer track meets in Memorial Stadium. Schedules for the meets will be in the June issue of the Gopher Chatter. For more information, contact track coach Roy Griak at 373-4248.

Personality Profile . . .

MARION ROGOWSKI

To work in the same building for 27 years, one has to enjoy his work and surroundings. Principal Account Clerk Marion Rogowski is such a person "It doesn't seem like it's been that long," the always cheerful Marion says. She is currently serving under her fourth athletic director, Marsh Ryman. The other three were Frank McCormick, Lou Keller (acting A.D.) and Ike Armstrong.

Her present position, which she has held for 12 years, consists of handling all budget matters, the payroll and supplies for the Intercollegiate Athletic Department. Previously, Marion was secretary to Ed Haislet, Executive Director of the Minnesota Alumni Association, secretary to Keller when he was the acting athletic director and secretary for the School of Physical Education. At one time, she was the only secretary on the second floor of Cooke Hall, handling "everything for everyone," she says.

Marion's interest in athletics doesn't end at her job. During the fall and winter months, she bowls on a Cooke Hall team. She helped her team to its league title last fall, sporting a 133 average. As soon as the weather warms up, Marion is one of the first on the lakes fishing. "I just love to fish," she says. "It's one thing I could do all the time." Some day Marion would like to find "that certain island" and just fish and relax to her heart's content. This spring, Marion has added to her athletic prowess by taking golf lessons.



Marion Rogowski

She has fond memories of Cooke Hall, most of which would probably be met with a wary eye today. "We used to have big picnics where the whole staff would come," she says. "And then there were the square dances at noon, ice skating on Northrop Field and the mixed staff bowling team. Times have changed but I don't think I'll forget them."

She also recalls the change in salaries from when she started to the present. "I started working part-time on the St. Paul Campus for 35 cents an hour," she says. "And my first secretary job paid the awesome amount of 89 dollars a month!"

Marion still plans to serve the athletic department for many years but says, "When that island comes along, I'm leaving!"

Duluth "M" Regional April 28

The "M" Regional meeting in Duluth will be held Monday, April 28. Donald Crassweller and Bill Bye are co-chairmen for the gathering which will conclude this school year's schedule of regional meetings.

Additional details as to site, etc. are unavailable as this issue of CHATTER goes to press.

BIERMAN FAREWELL APRIL 23

A dinner party honoring Clara and Bernie Bierman will be held Wednesday, April 23 at the Radisson Hotel in Minneapolis. It is being sponsored by the Goodwill Industries of the Twin Cities assisted by a group of "M" men headed by Bob Bjorklund. Bernie has served as chairman of the annual Goodwill Drive for many years.

The gathering will be a farewell to the Biermans who plan to move to California in the near future.

Paul Giel will serve as M.C. for the short program. Invited guests include Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm Moos, Phil Bengston, Bud Wilkinson and a representative of Governor Harold Levander.

Two social periods are planned — 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 to 10:00 p.m. to give friends of the Bierman's plenty of time to visit with them. The dinner and program will be 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Tickets priced at \$7.50 each may be obtained through the Goodwill Industries at 417 So. 3rd St. in Minneapolis or by phone — 335-4281.

Outstanding Film . . .

A GOPHER TALE AVAILABLE

A new film titled "A Gopher Tale" was previewed by sponsors, producers, and officials of the Minnesota Athletic Department on April 10 and was pronounced "one of the very finest sports films ever produced and released in the upper midwest area."

Produced by Sports Films and Talents of Minneapolis, the 16mm color film provides an inside look at 1968 Gopher football. The 27 minute film is sponsored jointly by Twin City Federal Savings & Loan and American Dairy Queen. It is narrated by Herb Carneal, nationally-known sportscaster.

The film may be obtained without charge by writing Bert Kingsley, Cooke Hall, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis 55455, or calling Mr. Kingsley at 373-4277.

HEAVY LOSSES BIG FOOTBALL PROBLEM

As this CHATTER reaches you the Gopher football coaching staff is nearing the halfway mark of its 20-day spring practice session which will culminate on Saturday, May 10, one week after the annual spring intra-squad game in Memorial Stadium on May 3.

As Murray Warmath starts into his 16th season as head coach, his principal problem is the replacement of such stalwarts of the 1968 season as (*Offense*) ends Chip Litten and Fran Paquette; tackle Ezell Jones; guards Tom Fink, Dick Enderle, and Andy Brown; center Steve Lundeen; halfback John Wintermute; fullback Maurice Forte; quarterback Ray Stephens, and (*Defense*) ends Bob Stein and Del Jensen; tackle Ron Kamzelski; middle guard Bill Laakso; linebackers Noel Jenke and Wayne King; halfback Dennis Hale.

The nucleus around which the coaching staff is building for the 1969 season includes (*Offense*) ends Leon Trawick and Ray Parson; flankerbacks Terry Addison, Walt Bowser and Mike Curtis; tackles Alvin Hawes and Jim Wrobel; centers Bob Eastlund and Ted Burke; halfbacks Barry Mayer and George Kemp; fullback Jim Carter; quarterback Phil Hagen, and (*Defense*) tackle Jim Pahula; middle guard Steve Thompson; linebackers Dick Crawford, Scott Mullen, Henry Tasche, and Dave Nixon; halfbacks Jeff Wright, Jeff Nygren, and Walt Pribyl.

A complete spring football roundup will appear in the June issue of CHATTER and will include a report on newcomers showing promise of providing substantial help to the varsity.

Comments From Cooke

Ex-Gopher Bud Wilkinson was recently the recipient of the 35th Annual Touchdown Club Award. He accepted his award at a gala dinner in New York City.

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Beginning in the fall of 1969, freshmen athletes will be eligible to compete on varsity squads in all sports except football and basketball. With this in mind, our coaches are currently busy recruiting prospects for the coming school year.

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On the recent baseball trip to Texas, sophomore Scott Stein started his collegiate career with a bang as he hit prodigious home runs his first two times at bat. Keep it up, Scott! He is the son of veteran Gopher athletic trainer, "Snapper" Stein.

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Murray McLachlan, Minnesota's outstanding goalie was recently voted the most valuable player in the WCHA. This vote was taken among coaches and press. Fortunately, Murray will be back in the nets again next year for the Gophers.

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The home court truly pays off in basketball. In the past Big Ten Conference season, home teams won 73% of their games. The Gophers finished 5 - 2 in the Conference for games played in Williams Arena.

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We express our deep sympathy to the relatives of Loane Randall, hockey letterman in 1937-38. Loane had also served as president of the Graduate "M" Club.

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Three members of the varsity tennis squad - Paul Krause, Bill Drake, and Dave Cross - had B plus grade averages winter quarter in the Psychology Honors program.

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25 percent of the tendered freshman Gopher athletes earned better than a 3.0 ("B") average winter quarter.

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Kickoff of the Williams Scholarship drive for the 1969-70 school year will be May 15. The goal of this drive is \$100,000 which would be an all-time high.

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The following note was received from Mr. Heiden, Regional Director of the Muscular Dystrophy Association: "Dear Mr. Ryman, I cannot thank you enough for the beautiful autographed football which you donated to our radio auction held last month. Items like this are truly interest builders and help a great deal to produce a good size listening audience not to mention, of course, the amount of money we received for the ball."

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Gopher Bob Stein was one of three Big Ten athletes receiving two post-graduate scholarships for his talent, brawn and brain. Bob was a recipient of the National Football Foundation Scholar Athlete Award as well as the NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship. We are all proud of this accomplishment, Bob.

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Again this year the St. Paul Williams Scholarship Committee is actively assisting in promoting ticket sales for the May 3rd football game. They are selling blocks of tickets to several companies so that underprivileged youngsters in the Metropolitan area can attend this annual football game.

Gopher Goodwill Tour June 9 - 13

The Sixth Annual Gopher Goodwill Tour sponsored by the University's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is scheduled for June 9 - 13.

Two groups of four Gopher staff members each headed by Athletic Director Marsh Ryman will head in opposite directions - north and south - to visit larger cities in Minnesota, LaCrosse and Eau Claire, Wis., Sioux Falls, S.D. and Fargo and Grand Forks, N.D. Glen Reed, assistant to Ryman, is planning the itinerary and local engagements at luncheon and dinner meetings and will accompany one of the tour groups.

Others will be hockey coach Glen Sonmor, basketball coach Bill Fitch, ticket manager Bob Geary, assistant sports information director Tom Greenhoe, and football assistants Don Grammer and Mike Reid.

A detailed itinerary will be announced via press, radio and TV in the areas to be visited.

BASKETBALL, HOCKEY ATTENDANCE UP

Final attendance figures for basketball and hockey indicate an increase in both sports. During the 1967-68 basketball season the average attendance per game was 5397. The average went up to 5627 per game in 1968-69 or a 4.3% increase. Hockey attendance went up 2.6% which represented an increase of 100 fans per game during the season.

Swimming fans are still talking about Gopher Captain Marty Knight's big win over Olympic Gold Medal Winner, Charlie Hickcox in the 200 yard free style. Indiana won the meet, but Marty had a big day for himself.

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The new Assistant Sports Information Director started work this month. We are pleased to have Tom Greenhoe as our newest staff member in Cooke Hall.

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The Spring Sports Clinics attracted 700 coaches to the Minnesota campus. Football coaches look for your mailing giving the details of the High School Football Coaches Clinic on May 2nd and 3rd. The featured speaker that weekend will be coach Bill Yeoman from Houston University.

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The Athletic Department will again invite high school football squads to attend Gopher home games on a reduced price ticket. These squads will be invited to attend the Nebraska, Michigan, Northwestern and Wisconsin games in the fall of 1969.

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Reminder to "M" Men: The Annual "M" Day banquet will be held on Wednesday, May 28th, in Coffman Memorial Union on the campus.

SPRING SPORTS DAY - SATURDAY, MAY 3

A Full Day of Sports Activity

11:00 A.M.	BASEBALL – Frosh vs. St. Cloud State Jr. Varsity
1:00 P.M.	TENNIS – Minnesota vs. Michigan
1:30 P.M.	FOOTBALL – Intra-Squad Spring Game
4:00 P.M.	TRACK – Minnesota vs. Michigan State

ADVANCE SALE \$1.00 ADMITS TO ALL EVENTS

All proceeds used for the University of Minnesota Williams Scholarships which aid student athletes attending the University.

BOLSTAD SEES FIRST DIVISION

Even without Bill Brask, 1968 Big Ten individual champion and third place finisher at the NCAA championships, golf coach Les Bolstad says this year's team could end up with a first division Big Ten finish.

"I think our returning players have gained the experience and poise needed to have a good year," Bolstad says. "But we must develop consistency if we want that first division finish."

Leading the way are five returning lettermen, including Larry Tiziani (Ironwood, Mich.) and Bob Hildebrandt (Hastings) and juniors Greg Harvey (Coon Rapids), Tom Ihnot (Minneapolis) and Steve Johnson (North Branch). Top sophomore newcomers are: Bill Homeyer (Minneapolis), James Larson (Luverne) and Mark Pittman (Edina). A transfer from Augsburg College, junior Gerry Rislove (Preston), is also given a good rating by the coach. Minnesota finished sixth in the Conference last season.

Krause Holds Tennis Key

"How Minnesota fares in Big Ten tennis this spring should be gauged by our first two meets," says coach Joe Walsh. "We open at Northwestern and Wisconsin, and neither club is rated too strongly. It's a good break for us. These are big matches for Minnesota and should provide a fine yardstick for myself and the players."

Walsh refused to call 1969 a rebuilding year for his Gopher varsity. He stated he believes in his players and honestly feels they can go a long way providing they get off to a good start in the Conference. However, he was quick to add that Michigan is a prohibitive favorite.

The key to success or failure this season, according to Walsh, lies with the performance of Paul Krause (St. Louis Park). However, Krause, a 3.4 senior majoring in psychology, may be called up on military reserve duty and that would be a crippling blow to Minnesota net hopes. Walsh plans on teaming Krause with sophomore Dave Stearns (St. Cloud) in doubles, if the former remains with the team.

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STUDENT-STAFF SEASON TICKET SALE

Student tickets by mail order. The Spring quarter sale May 5 through May 17, 1969 introduces a new approach to the sale of student tickets. This year a mailing will be sent to all students presently enrolled. Students will be able to send in the application with their remittance. Tickets will be assigned on a lottery basis at a later date. Next fall the students will pick up the assigned tickets by presenting a paid fall fee statement and I.D. card.

Staff-employee tickets will be sold during this spring with the priority deadline for last year's seating ending June 14, 1969. A special mailing will be made to staff members with full details.

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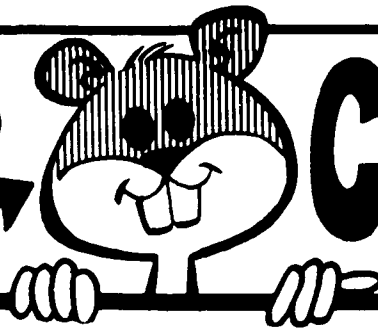
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GOPHER GOODWILL TOUR IS SET JUNE 9-13



Making the Goodwill Tour this year are, L-R: front row; Marsh Ryman, Mike Reid and Glen Sonmor. Back row; Don Grammer, Bob Geary, Bill Fitch, Glen Reed and Tom Greenhoe.

Plans for this year's Gopher Goodwill Tour were announced recently by Marsh W. Ryman, athletic director. For the 6th consecutive year, athletic department staff members will head out from the University to visit almost every corner of Minnesota and bordering cities during the week of June 9-13.

One unit - Ryman, hockey Coach Glen Sonmor, assistant football coach Mike Reid and ticket manager Bob Geary - will visit northern Minnesota areas while the other group - assistant to the A.D. Glen Reed, basketball coach Bill Fitch, assistant grid coach Don Grammer and new assistant SID Tom Greenhoe - takes the southern route.

The first group has scheduled visits at Bemidji, Brainerd, Crookston, Detroit Lakes, Duluth-Superior, Fargo-Moorhead, St. Cloud, Virginia and Grand Forks. Southern swingers will include stops at Austin, Faribault, Mankato, New Ulm, Rochester, Winona, LaCrosse and Eau Claire, Wis. and Sioux Falls, S.D.

Providing the programs at service clubs, media appearances and interviews and visiting with "M-Clubbers" and other friends of UM will keep the tour personnel more than just busy. Also, each unit will carry a copy of the fabulous film, "A Gopher Tale," a sound-color highlight story of the 1968 football season, for all to view.

New Football Ticket System

A new system of contacting the public for the purpose of ordering football tickets has been installed by Bob Geary, University ticket manager.

The first group to receive application forms will be those who held season tickets last year. This group will have from July 1 through July 31 to exercise their priority to reorder the same seats they held in 1968, or improved locations as vacancies appear. A special card which includes all pertinent information concerning the seats they purchased last season will be mailed to them June 21.

Approximately one week later, anyone who has sent in any form of ticket application, season or individual game, in the last three years will receive a special season ticket order form for 1969. Then on August 1, single game application forms will be mailed to everyone on both the above lists. All transactions may be completed by mail at the University Ticket Office, 108 Cooke Hall, Minneapolis (55455). Season tickets will be mailed on or about September 1.

1969 GOPHER FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Six Home Games

Sept. 27	Ohio University
Oct. 4	Nebraska
Oct. 18	Ohio State (Homecoming)
Oct. 25	Michigan
Nov. 8	Northwestern
Nov. 22	Wisconsin (Dads' Day)

Away Games

Sept. 20	Arizona State
Oct. 11	Indiana
Nov. 1	Iowa
Nov. 15	Michigan State

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SINGLE GAME SALE OPENS AUGUST 1

Public Reserved Seat	\$ 6.00
FAMILY PLAN	
Adult	\$ 4.00
Child (Under 18 yrs.)	\$ 2.00

For information on ordering call 373-3181-

or write

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Another Great Baseball Season for Gopher Nine

A ninth Big Ten Baseball championship for the Minnesota Golden Gophers was all but a certainty when this edition of "Gopher Chatter" went to press. Coach Dick Siebert's club was 12-2 and only needed one win in its final four outings to put the title away a second straight year. It would mark a seventh championship for Siebert.

"The Big Ten was about the same as last year," Siebert said, "but we came up with some tremendous power hitting and steady pitching to take our early lead. We also received a timely bonus in the performance of our keystone duo, second baseman Bob Schnietz and shortstop Al Kaminski, both afield and at the plate.

"This club jelled early and hasn't stopped hitting yet. I hope they keep it up. If we win the Conference, we get another shot at the NCAA District Playoffs. We lost out there last season. Maybe this is our year to return to the national."

If Walseth, Jenke, Nielsen, Kaminski, Schnietz, Kendall, Wasick and Co. keep hammering the ball, the nationals are a definite possibility.

SEASON FOOTBALL TICKET SALE OPENS JULY 1

WATCH FOR REORDER APPLICATION!

- ★ This year an application is being sent specifically to those who ordered football tickets last year on a SEASON basis, indicating the 1968 seat location.
- ★ Please use this card when reordering this year.

NEW OR ADDITIONAL ORDERS . . .

- ★ An additional mailing of applications will be made to our entire football patron file.
- ★ Read the information brochure carefully.
- ★ This extra service will assist you in ordering your season tickets quickly and easily.
- ★ A self-addressed return envelope is enclosed for your added convenience.

SINGLE GAME TICKETS . . .

- ★ Applications will be mailed the latter part of July for both home games and games away.
- ★ Single Game sale will open August 1.

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Heikkila Records Feature of Gopher Outdoor Track Season

A new Big Ten high jump record leap by sophomore Tim Heikkila (Superior, Wis.) highlighted a fine season and a seventh place finish at the Conference meet for coach Roy Griak's Minnesota track squad.

On May 3, Heikkila became the first Gopher track star to ever clear the bar at an even seven feet. This came in a dual meet on Spring Sports Day at home against Michigan State. Heikkila duplicated that leap at the Big Ten meet May 17 at Purdue to set the new Conference standard.

The Gophers won three of four dual meets this spring, losing only to Conference champion Wisconsin. "This had to be a very pleasing season as we were not blessed with a lot of superstars or any extra depth," Griak said. "I have to rate this year's team as one of the hardest working groups of young men I have had the pleasure of working with. They are a tremendous bunch."

Tennis, Golf Teams Place 3rd, 4th

Coach Joe Walsh's Minnesota tennis team capped an outstanding season by finishing third at the Big Ten meet following an impressive dual meet record of 13-5.

"I believed in this team right from the start," Walsh said. "Although we didn't have power and experience like many of the Big Ten teams, our boys have great desire and want to win badly. And that's just what they did. We ended second in Conference dual meet play with a 6-3 record, and we only finished six points behind second place Indiana at the final meet. It is a tribute to these young men who worked so very hard all year long."

Another glowing tribute was paid by golf coach Les Bolstad after his varsity finished a strong fourth at the Big Ten meet. "We aimed for a fourth place finish," Bolstad said. "We went into the meet with the least exposure of any competing team, but it was great of our players to hang in there. They could have bailed out, but didn't."

"RAVE NOTICES" for Movie

A GOPHER TALE

The new 1968 Gopher football highlight film entitled, 'A Gopher Tale' has been in great demand by high schools, civic clubs and church groups throughout the midwest. This 26-minute sound-color special has been tabbed one of the finest college grid stories ever put together. The photography is excellent and Herb Carneal does an outstanding job as the narrator. Prints of this film are available free for showing to any organization that would write to Mr. B. E. Kingsley, Cooke Hall, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455. Get your requests in early and please list an alternate showing date since it is possible that all the prints could be booked on your first choice of date.

Comments From Cooke

Gopher Basketball Co-Captain **Larry Overskei** recently was appointed to the first team All Big Ten All Academic Squad. **Tom Masterson**, sophomore center, was named to the second team while Gophers **Dan Proeschel** and **Mike Regenfuss** earned spots on the third team.

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Former Conference Medal winner, **Tom Heinonen**, is still finding time to do some distance running while enrolled in a U.S. Naval Electronic School in Millington, Tennessee. In a recent letter to Director Marsh Ryman, Tom expressed his gratitude for being on the Williams Scholarship Program during his undergraduate days. He said, "The Williams Fund was a tremendous financial aid during my studying and running days at the U."

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Donna Chuburdia is the new attractive secretary in the Gopher Basketball Office.

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1st Lieutenant **John Valentine** (cross-country 64-65-66) was recently awarded two purple hearts and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry as a combat officer with the U.S. Marine Corps.

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Good news from **Bob Geary** in the Ticket Office: The spring student-athletic ticket sale is up 26% over last year, and the staff sale which is also up found that 35% of the staff members are taking advantage of the new payroll deduction feature for purchase of athletic tickets.

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Next year's Gopher basketball team certainly has a rugged schedule with such powers as UCLA, Notre Dame, Drake and seven Big Ten schools all appearing on the home schedule for 1969-70.

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Dr. Jim Crewe, Educational Skills Counselor for Student-Athletes, has received many inquiries about his unique study-skills program for freshmen athletes. This program has certainly proven to be of great benefit to the academic performance of student-athletes.

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Astronaut **James A. Lovell**, Consultant to the President for Physical Fitness in Sports, recently wrote Coach Griak to compliment him on his extensive summer track and field program. Several "all comers" meets have been scheduled for young boys and girls throughout the Twin City area during June, July and August.

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At the Big Ten Meetings in May, the Conference relaxed the rule against use of campus facilities by professional athletic teams. In addition, freshman intercollegiate competition was expanded so that freshman basketball teams can now play 12 games per season while authorizing all other sports except football to play as many intercollegiate freshman contests as the varsity.

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Dick Siebert will take his popular baseball clinics into 20 communities this summer commencing June 16th. These clinics, sponsored by the Minnesota Athletic Department, have been attended by thousands of youngsters each summer for several years.

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Jim Soltau has just completed his year as President of the Graduate "M" Club. The Athletic Department wishes to thank Jim for the wonderful job he did during 1968-69, and extend our congratulations to Wally Salovich (basketball 47-48-49-50), the incoming president.

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The new automatic watering system presently being installed at the University Golf Course will be completed in early summer. This project will cost \$210,000 but is a needed addition to the U of M course.

Gopher Benefactor . .

CALVIN GRIFFITH

Although considered a short-timer as far as University of Minnesota sports history is concerned, Calvin Griffith, President of the Minnesota Twins of the American Baseball League, has become a loyal friend of the University athletic department and a booster for its program.



Calvin Griffith

Since moving the Twins franchise to Metropolitan Stadium in 1961, Mr. Griffith has made valuable contributions, both financially and otherwise, towards the progress of Gopher sports. He has been a consistent contributor to the Williams Scholarship Fund and is a member of the Golden Gopher Club. Last fall he found a new way to participate. Under the authorization of Mr. Griffith, the Twins organization participated as partial sponsors of Coach Murray Warmath's football TV show on Sunday afternoons, and Minnesota's televised game film showings on Monday nights during the 1968 season.

And Mr. Griffith's sense of civic duty does not stop there. His contributions to the civic betterment of Minneapolis, St. Paul and surrounding communities are numerous.

A native of Montreal, Quebec, Canada, Calvin, nee Calvin Robertson, moved to Washington, D.C., as a youngster with his family following the death of his father. In Washington, he was adopted by his uncle, the late Clark C. Griffith, baseball Hall of Fame pitcher, co-founder of the American League, and owner of the Washington Senators baseball franchise at that time.

Calvin became actively associated with the Senators in a hurry, first as a batboy for the pennant-winning aggregations of 1924 and 1925. He began his front office career in 1935 with Chattanooga of the Southern Association. In 1938 he moved to Charlotte, N.C. From then on he worked in almost every phase of minor league baseball, including a short whirl at managing.

In 1942 he returned to Washington where he continued to gain knowledge of the business working for the Senators in numerous capacities. When Mr. Griffith passed away on October 27, 1955, the well-grounded Calvin was elected president of the organization five days later.



An All-Star Team from the Metropolitan Collegiate Baseball League will play a baseball game with the Minneapolis Police Baseball Squad on a Thursday night late in August at Metropolitan Stadium. Proceeds from this benefit game will go to the Williams Scholarship Fund.

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Congratulations to **Roy Griak** for his appointment to the Track and Field Olympic Committee. Coach Griak has been active in Olympic affairs for several years and his appointment is certainly warranted.

NEWCOMERS HOLD 1969 GOPHER GRID KEY

Noel Jenke's Three Hats

Noel Jenke (Owatonna), one of Minnesota's premium senior athletes, has accomplished something that hasn't been done at UM since 1954-55 . . . earned three varsity letters in one academic year.

After serving as captain of the 1968 football squad and earning his second varsity monogram with the hockey team, Jenke, with only one week of preseason practice under his belt, became a regular outfielder on the Conference championship baseball team this spring. At press time he was batting .412 and leading the Gophers in home runs with 12.

"This young man is truly an amazing athlete," says baseball coach Dick Siebert, a statement echoed by two other varsity coaches. "We almost didn't take him with us on our Texas trip as he had only been with us for one week of indoor practice. I'm glad we did. He has delivered a solid effort to this year's club, just like he did in the other sports."

Jenke is Minnesota's first three sport letter-winner in a single year since Ken Yackel turned the trick in 1954-55 by earning monograms in the same three sports - football, hockey and baseball.



Jenke's 3 Hats

Lots of new faces will turn up in the Gopher football scene next fall and indications are that fans will like what they see.

At the conclusion of spring football practice Coach Murray Warmath, preparing for his 16th season as head coach at Minnesota, commented that the 1968 freshman crop had turned out to be of better quality and quantity than anticipated before the start of spring workouts. This obviously means that Warmath expects these newcomers to take up much of the slack left by the departure of an unusually large group of blue chip veterans.

Among new names that will probably come ringing loud and clear across Memorial Stadium when Julie Perlt turns up the amplifiers come September 27 and the Ohio University game are the following: OFFENSE: Fullback Ernie Cook, Daytona Beach, Fla. who rushed for 148 yards and 4 touchdowns in the spring intra-squad game; halfback Larry Stephenson, Memphis, Tenn.; ends Kevin Hamm, St. Cloud and Doug Kingsriter, Richfield; center Ron King, Chatfield. DEFENSE: Ends John Babcock (258, 6-4), Rochester Mayo and Tom Chandler, La Canada, Cal.; tackle Jim O'Brien, Rice Lake, Wis.; guards Bill Light, Hopkins, Kenn Quinn, Yorba Linda, Cal.; linebackers Bob Bailey, Montgomery, Ala., Curtis Mayfield, Memphis, Tenn.; halfbacks Mike White, Columbus, Ga., Gary Hohman, Trenton, N.J.

Significant position changes made in spring practice found Mike Curtis, fastest man on the squad, moving from offensive flankerback to defensive halfback; Jan Nelson shifting from defensive tackle to offensive guard; and Steve Thompson from defensive middle guard to defensive tackle; Walt Bowser from flankerback to quarterback.

A backfield staffed by Captain Jim Carter (225 pounds) and Ernie Cook, fullbacks; Barry Mayer and George Kemp, left halfbacks; Terry Addison, flankerback; and Bowser, quarterback could give the Gophers exciting offensive possibilities in the running game.

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Williams Fund Drive Opens

The University of Minnesota celebrated its 20th annual Williams Scholarship Drive kickoff recently with the biggest goal in its history . . . \$100,000.

"We believe this figure to be realistic and we are going all out to help put the drive over the top," Athletic Director Marsh W. Ryman said. "Expanding costs of the intercollegiate athletic program go hand in hand with those of higher education. Thus, the need for higher goals. In order for Minnesota to remain competitive in Big Ten athletics and on the national level, too, we must provide the funds necessary to recruit the deserving athlete-scholars to represent our University."

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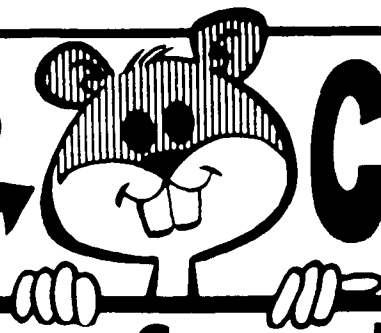
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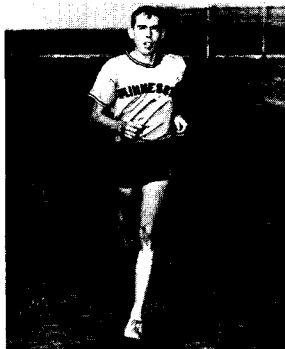


Gophers to Present Strong Running Attack

Ed Twomey Awarded NCAA Post-Grad Scholarship

Ed Twomey, University of Minnesota senior track star and graduate of Benilde high school, has been awarded one of the two NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarships assigned to Big Ten Conference student-athletes. This was announced recently by Max Schultze, U. of M. faculty representative and member of the NCAA committee on graduate scholarships.

Mr. Schultze revealed that Twomey was among the first 10 selected on the list of 32 scholarships approved. The criteria for selection is exceptional scholarship and athletic excellence. Twomey's grade average was 3.88 (4.0 is a perfect "A"). He majored in botany with a minor in math and chemistry. He plans to attend Georgetown University on his one-year NCAA scholarship to study international relations.



Ed Twomey

Twomey set a Memorial Stadium record of 1:49.6 for the 880-yard run in the Wisconsin dual meet this spring and established a U. of M. record of 1:48.8 as he placed second in the Big Ten meet.

Ohio U. Bobcats Present a Formidable Threat to Gophers

A brand new opponent on the 1969 Minnesota football schedule, lying in the shadows waiting to make a surprise ambush, appears at Memorial Stadium Sept. 27 in the form of the Ohio University Bobcats from Athens, Ohio.

A powerful leader of the fast improving Mid-American Conference, Ohio U. demonstrated the past few seasons it is ready for bigger and better game . . . including our Gophers. Last season the Bobcats ran up an impressive 10-1-1 record, their only loss a 49-42 setback by Richmond at the Tangerine Bowl.

Ohio U. averaged an amazing 38 points per game in 1968, and coach Bill Hess has 22 lettermen, including 15 regulars, five of them all-conference selections, back in harness. A key highlight of last season for OU was an impressive 24-7 win over Miami of Ohio, a team that has knocked off Indiana and Purdue. So if the UM forces take the Bobcats in a light vein, there could be trouble in the Gopher camp.

When two teams primed with offensive might clash, well, a new combined scoring record could be set at Memorial Stadium. Ohio U. will be out to prove itself ready to take on all comers. The Gophers had best be ready to meet the challenge. The game could be a duplicate of last year's wild and woolly clash against Wake Forest. The Gophers had to come from behind to win that one. Ohio University may not be that cooperative. It's the home opener for UM in 1969 and "Warmath's Warriors" will have to be ready to beat off the ambush.

Increased early ticket sales indicate that University of Minnesota football fans are liking what they read and hear about the 1969 Gophers, and that they view the schedule as especially attractive (although Coach Murray Warmath might not agree on this point).

The spring intra-squad game which produced 71 points by the two sides gave promise of some explosive offensive exhibitions by the Gophers this fall as they tackle a demanding schedule that includes national champion Ohio State in Memorial Stadium October 18. This will be the Homecoming feature.

Sideline observers at spring practice visualized the potential of a powerful running attack in the persons of Captain Jim Carter (6-3, 225) at fullback; Barry Mayer (6-2, 214) and George Kemp (6-0, 193) at left halfback; and Terry Addison (6-2, 190) at flankerback. If Walt Bowser can beat out Phil Hagen for the quarterback assignment, he will add an additional running threat, as he demonstrated with several brilliant scampers in the spring game. Then there is sophomore Ernie Cook, a sturdy 208 pound, 5-10½ fullback who tallied 4 touchdowns in the spring game with an eye-catching display of power, quickness, and ruggedness. At the end of spring practice the No. 1 understudy to Addison was John Marqueson, 6-1, 212 pound sophomore from Hopkins.

Of course even with all this muscle the backs are going to have to have some powerful cooperation from the offensive linemen such as Jim Brunzell and Kevin Hamm at left end; Al Hawes and John Harris, left tackle; Jan Nelson and Red Walsh, left guard; Bob Eastlund, Ron King and Ted Burke, center; Bill Christison and Vern Winfield, right guard; John Thompson and Nick Tymoszewicz, right tackle; and Ray Parson and Doug Kingsriter, right end.

It seems that fans have come to take it for granted that Warmath will mold a strong defense. To help the coach live up to his reputation, the "young bloods" are going to have to come through to plug large gaps left by graduation. A big task for Warmath and staff, but not an impossible one.

With adequate fan support, this 100th year of college football could be a happy one for the Gophers. See you September 27 in Memorial Stadium.

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Young Cross Country Squad Shows Long Range Promise

"Young . . . inexperienced . . . but more raw potential than any former Minnesota cross-country team."

That's how coach Roy Griak describes his cross-country team for 1968. The deciding factor is the new NCAA rule allowing incoming freshmen to compete on the varsity level. "Our new prospects could make the difference," Griak added.

Three key members of last year's club — Steve Hoag, Bob Wagner and Ed Twomey — have departed after leading the Gophers to a 5-1 dual meet season, a second place finish behind Michigan State at the Big Ten meet, and a fourth at the NCAA Championships, the highest finish ever in the national for a UM distance team.

Top returning lettermen this fall, says Griak, include senior captain Pat Kelly (St. Paul) and junior Tom Page (Edina). Other squad members back are Tom Beltz (Bagley) and Don Timm (Burnsville), both juniors.

The most promising sophomores up from last year's frosh crew are Gene Daly (St. Cloud), Mike Hanley (Anoka) and Greg Nelson (Minneapolis Washburn). Others in this group include Carter Holmes (Minneapolis Washburn), John Hapko (Robbinsdale), Dean Swanson (N. St. Paul) and Terry Thomas (Moundsview).

Among the incoming freshmen, Griak rates Mike Lawless (Racine, Wis.) and Gary Bjorkland (Proctor) as having the best chance to help out in 1969.

"We lost the Big Ten meet by 50 yards in a heartbreaker last year," Griak said, "but I feel we might be too young this season. Michigan State has most of its squad back as do Wisconsin and Indiana. Wisconsin has a fine frosh crop coming in, too, so the title race should be a great challenge for all."

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE 1969

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
H — Sat.,	Oct. 4	Wisconsin	Minneapolis	10:00 A.M.
A — Sat.,	Oct. 11	Ohio-Indiana	Bloomington	10:00 A.M.
H — Sat.,	Oct. 18	Michigan State	Minneapolis	10:00 A.M.
A — Fri.,	Oct. 24	Drake	Des Moines	1:00 P.M.
H — Sat.,	Oct. 25	Northwest Open	Minneapolis	10:00 A.M.
A — Sat.,	Nov. 1	Iowa	Iowa City	10:00 A.M.
H — Sat.,	Nov. 8	Northwestern	Minneapolis	10:00 A.M.
A — Sat.,	Nov. 15	Big Ten Champ.	Bloomington	11:30 A.M.
A — Mon.,	Nov. 24	NCAA Champ.	Van Courtland New York	

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FRANK R. POND

Like scores of other youngsters who grew up in the Lake of the Isles area of Minneapolis Frank R. Pond took to chasing a hockey puck at an early age.

Frank has actively engaged in other athletic activities since that time. However, his interest in hockey has never diminished and has proven to be a very big bonus for University of Minnesota hockey.

While a West high school student Frank competed in baseball, track, and cross country. In the absence of a high school hockey program, he played park board hockey.

Frank came on to the University of Minnesota to study engineering and earn hockey letters in 1923-24 under the coaching of the late Emil Iversen. These were pioneer years in Gopher hockey and the team played against any opposition it could find, including some Twin Cities colleges and professional and semi-professional teams. Frank was also on the first U. of M. golf team to play in a Big Ten tournament. That was in 1922 at the Midlothian Club in Chicago.



Frank R. Pond

For 10 years after leaving the University Frank worked for his father at the Advance Machine Co. in the Twin Cities. With this experience and background he began "branching out" on his own. In the ensuing years he has founded the Refrigeration and Industrial Supply Co. of Minneapolis; the Temperature Supply Co. of Billings, Mont.; Refrigeration Wholesalers of Duluth; and Refrigeration Supply Co. of St. Paul.

The urge to have a hand in hockey led Frank to take on the U. of M. coaching assignment for five years — 1930-35. A star goalie on the '34-'35 teams was Bud Wilkinson. Athletic Director Marsh Ryman was a wing on the '31 and '32 teams under Pond and was his freshman coach in 1933.

Golf also continued to be an important part of Frank's recreational activity and he worked his handicap down to a very impressive 3. A member at Edina Country Club since 1937, he was a city league "regular" for many years before "growing up" into the senior league. A heart attack last New Year's Eve sidelined Frank until recently but he is now playing three times weekly and comments "I can still beat someone once in a while even though I am 69 years old."

In recent years Frank and his wife have spent winters in Florida. The heart attack kept him home this winter, but it did enable him to watch the State High School hockey tournament on television for the first time. "I really got a bang out of that" says Frank. "These kids today can really skate and that is the prime requirement of a good hockey player. It is very evident that the many indoor rinks in this area are paying off in much improved high school hockey."

Concrete testimony to Frank's interest in Gopher hockey is his membership in the Golden Gopher Club whose members contribute \$1,000 or more per year to the Williams Scholarship Fund. Each of the four corporations headed by Frank contributes \$1,000, two of them in the name of the Frank R. Pond Scholarship Fund. These are earmarked for hockey players. He has also made a contribution in excess of \$10,000 to the Williams Scholarship Endowment Fund.

The day young Frank Pond first laced up his hockey skates was to prove a significant one for Gopher hockey some 50 years later.

Comments from Cooke

For the ninth straight year the University of Minnesota Swimming Team has placed men on the All-American Swimming Team. Marty Knight made All-American in four events and along with Marty in the 800-yard free style relay All-American team were Jim Lindquist, Ralph Peterson and David Lundberg.

The Athletic Department has retained the E. A. Nieland Advertising Agency to assist in the promotion of football ticket sales for the 1969 season. Back in his college days, Gene Nieland worked in the Ticket Office and for the Intramural Department in Cooke Hall.

Congratulations to the Gopher's Bud Wilkinson for being named to the National Football Hall of Fame. We're all proud to have him a member of this illustrious group.

Featured speakers at the recent National Association of College Directors of Athletics Convention at Kansas City included Gopher Athletic Director Marsh Ryman and Twin Cities sportscaster Ray Scott.

1969 marks the Centennial celebration of collegiate football. To commemorate this 100th year anniversary, plans are being made to have a special half-time show on October 4th when the Cornhuskers of Nebraska invade Memorial Stadium.

Judge Dickson ("M" man in football, 1959-62) was recently named one of 18 White House Fellows by President Nixon. Judge was selected from a list of over a thousand applicants to be a special assistant to Cabinet Officers and members of the White House staff. Our hearty congratulations to this fine ex-Gopher fullback and Law School graduate.

The final Big Ten Baseball statistics showed the Minnesota Gophers having five of the top hitters in the Conference. Mike Walseth and Noel Jenke were the only Big Ten baseball players to hit over .400 for the season.

Last month the Northern California Minnesota Alumni Club honored Curt Lynum (Gymnastics—1937-39) as the outstanding alumnus of the year. This selection was based on Curt's 26-year career in the FBI plus his work on the California Adult Authority. Mr. Lynum now resides in San Mateo, California.

Minnesota football fans will have five big double-header weekends this fall. Following every Saturday home game except that with Ohio State, the Minnesota Vikings will be playing at home on Sunday. These attractive double-header weekends should bring many sports fans to the Twin Cities for some exciting football.

Next June when the 1970 U.S. Open Golf Championship is held at Hazeltine National Golf Club, Otis Dypwick, our Sports Information Director, will be the Communications Chairman. Oty will be responsible for news media relations, publicity, promotion and all media arrangements for this big event.

When the Gopher baseball team won the Big Ten title again this spring, it was the ninth baseball championship for the University of Minnesota.

During 1968-69, 233 of our 478 freshmen and varsity athletes received some type of financial aid. This means that 49% of our total athletes receive financial assistance or scholarships.

Student, Staff Football Tickets Sales Show-Increase

Student and Staff spring sale season ticket purchasers have set a pace that indicates sales will be up for the 1969 football season. Student sales showed a 31% increase and Staff sales 5%. At press time, public season ticket sales had a brisk start, promising a renewed interest in Gopher football fortunes. The reorder priority on public season tickets ends on July 31. Don't miss the deadline!

Single game tickets go on sale August 1. Applications will be in the mail the latter part of July. It is important that orders be in the Ticket Office early as seats are assigned on a first come, first served basis. Single game tickets will be mailed at least 10 days prior to each game.

1969 GOPHER SCHEDULE		
Sept. 20	Arizona State—Tempe	8:00 p.m.
Sept. 27	OHIO UNIV.—HERE	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 4	NEBRASKA—HERE	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 11	Indiana—Bloomington	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	OHIO STATE—HERE (Homecoming)	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 25	MICHIGAN—HERE	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 1	Iowa—Iowa City	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 8	NORTHWESTERN—HERE	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 15	Michigan State—E. Lansing	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 22	WISCONSIN—HERE	1:00 p.m.

Warmath Show, Game Films Sunday on WCCO-TV this Fall

Gopher football fans who cannot make all the 1969 games will once again be able to see and hear what transpired as WCCO-TV presents both the Murray Warmath Show and the complete game film each Sunday.

Coach Warmath will bring along film clips and an outstanding player each Sunday on his show co-hosted by WCCO's Rollie Johnson and Ralph John Fritz. The show will be presented either just prior to or immediately following the CBS game of the week telecast.

Then at 10:45 p.m. each Sunday, the game film will be shown in its entirety. Each film will be in color with Johnson and Fritz handling the narration.

The Minnesota athletic department is indebted to both WCCO-TV and the sponsors of the shows for bringing all the story and color of Gopher football to our many fans.

The Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce recently announced the appointment of Glen Reed, Assistant Athletic Director, as the new chairman of the Chamber's Sports and Attractions Committee.

The 10 free high school coaches clinics and workshops, sponsored by the University of Minnesota during the past school year, drew a record attendance of 2,620 coaches. This Department is very pleased and proud with a response of the high school coaches to these learning sessions.

At the 63rd Annual NCAA Convention, Memorial Resolutions were passed commemorating Dr. Henry Rottschaefer, former faculty representative, and Dr. George Hauser, former Gopher coach, for their distinguished service to athletics. Both of these men made notable contributions to Intercollegiate athletics and earned the warm friendship of their collegiate associates in all sections of the country.

The new girl now working with the Williams Scholarship Fund is a former U. of M. coed from Austin. Welcome to Miss Susan Saholt.

Cooke Hall Profile . . .

JERRY KINDALL

A man of many talents best describes Jerry Kindall, subject of our Cooke Hall Profile.

A former outstanding athlete earning two letters in basketball and baseball and gaining All-American status in the latter sport, Jerry has been on the University athletic staff since completing eight years of professional baseball through 1966. He played with the American League champion Minnesota Twins in 1965.

A graduate of St. Paul Washington High, Kindall received his BS in English in 1959 and, while playing pro ball, returned to the University during the off season to complete work on a master's degree in Physical Education, which he received in 1968. Since joining the athletic staff, Jerry has doubled as freshman coach in basketball and assistant coach in baseball. Among his other duties are membership on the Williams Scholarship Committee, advisor to the UM Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and instructor in PE.



Jerry Kindall

But now much of that has been changed. It was announced recently that Kindall has given up his basketball duties and taken the job as director of the Williams Scholarship Fund.

"I am pleased with this assignment for numerous reasons," Kindall says. "First, I will have the opportunity of gaining more contacts with the business and general public than I had as a coach. Secondly, I was a Williams Scholar myself, so I am well aware of what it means to a young man during his college days.

"I also realized more what it all meant after I left college. The prestige of being a Williams Scholar is very important in terms of business contacts for a graduating senior. Businessmen seem quite anxious to deal with a man who showed the combined skills necessary to qualify for Williams aid.

"Although I know I will miss basketball and the enjoyable working association I had with John Kundla, Bill Fitch and George Hanson, I will, at the same time, have more time to spend with our baseball program, particularly in the fall and winter.

"The challenge of directing this important facet of Minnesota athletics is a big one," Kindall went on. "The Williams Fund can form a solid foundation for all our efforts in each sport on a sustaining basis. Only in the last few years have we received enough donations to give ample aid to the increasing number of deserving scholar-athletes. It goes without saying we need more of the same.

"We are facing our biggest goal ever, \$100,000, but I believe as Athletic Director Marsh Ryman does that it is a realistic goal. We are well on our way, I'm happy to report. But here I wish to make one point very clear . . . although the number of large donors is increasing, we can never replace the legion of small donors. They are the backbone of the entire idea. With their continued support, we can reach any goal."

Indeed, a man of many talents. Continued good luck on your new assignment, Jerry.

THE GOPHER CHATTER

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4 U. of M. Athletic Staff Members Hold Olympic Posts

Four members of the athletic staff have been honored with positions as representatives of the NCAA on U.S. Olympic Committees.

They are Marsh Ryman, athletic director, ice hockey chairman; Bob Mowerson, swimming coach, swimming; Roy Griak, track coach, men's track and field; Wally Johnson, wrestling coach, wrestling. Each appointment is for a four-year term.

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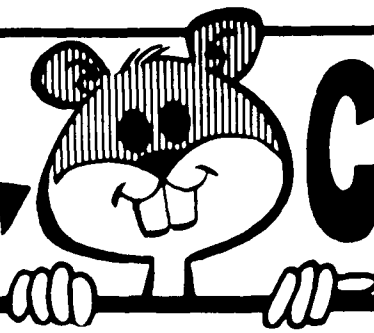
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HIGH-RANKING NOTRE DAME, UCLA OPEN BASKETBALL SLATE



Larry Mikan



Larry Overskei

Minnesota's dynamic young basketball coach, Bill Fitch, is enthusiastic by nature but finds it a bit difficult to exude optimism as he girds the Gopher basketball squad for a schedule which includes kick-off contests with two of the nation's most powerful teams — Notre Dame on Dec. 1 and No. 1 ranked U.C.L.A. Dec. 6 in a 3:00 p.m. game. Both are in Williams Arena.

Fitch is building around a nucleus of five lettermen, including senior co-captains Larry Mikan and Larry Overskei and guard Eric Hill, who were 1968-69 regulars. Top sophomore candidate on the 16-man squad is 6-6½ guard Jerry Pyle from Casselton, N.D. where he was an All American prep star.

Assistant coaches Jim Lessig and Al Nuness, the latter last year's varsity captain, opened frosh practice with 14 men on hand. According to Fitch, the front line strength here as a result of a good recruiting year should produce early results. With the likes of center Scott Magnuson (6-11), forwards Jim Brewer (6-7), Corky Taylor (6-8) and Lou Rickert (6-5), plus guards Henry Goodes (6-1) and Greg Troland (6-4) on hand, one has to believe these men will be heard from as soon as they gain varsity status in 1970-71.

The frosh team plays home games against college competition under new Conference rules, with the highlight meeting set for Feb. 6 against the Illinois freshman team, subject to athletic senate approval.

The Gopher Backcourt Club begins its 1969-70 meetings Tuesday, Nov. 25 at the Jax Cafe on University Ave. N.E. Membership is open to anyone and meetings are generally held Tuesday noon through the season.

12 HOME GAMES

Mon., Dec. 1	8:00 p.m.	.....	Notre Dame
Sat., Dec. 6	3:00 p.m.	.....	UCLA
Sat., Dec. 20	8:00 p.m.	.....	Drake
Tue., Dec. 23	8:00 p.m.	.....	San Diego State
Sat., Jan. 10	1:15 p.m.	.....	Indiana
Sat., Jan. 17	8:00 p.m.	.....	Michigan State
Sat., Jan. 24	8:00 p.m.	.....	Ohio State
Mon., Jan. 26	8:00 p.m.	.....	Loyola (Chicago)
Sat., Feb. 7	8:00 p.m.	.....	Illinois
Sat., Feb. 14	3:00 p.m.	.....	Northwestern
Tue., Feb. 24	8:00 p.m.	.....	Purdue
Tue., Mar. 3	8:00 p.m.	.....	Michigan

Sonmor Headache . . .

Cutting Squad Is Problem

Coach Glen Sonmor opened his 1969-70 Gopher hockey camp with an awesome number of candidates (47) from which he hopes to field a strong team this season.

Although proven scoring punch, or rather the lack of it, is the biggest question mark, Sonmor believes that some of last year's reserves, freshmen and this year's bright crop of frosh, now eligible for varsity competition, will fill the need.

Key returnees on the varsity include All-American goalie candidates Murray McLachlan and defenseman Pat Westrum, Steve Ross, Wally Olds and Frank Sanders. Add to that the scoring talents of senior wing Rick Yurich and you find the basic requirements necessary for a winner.

Among the frosh candidates, forwards Mike Antonovich, Jimmy Gambucci and Dixon Shelstad appear ready to lend a hand.

Sonmor says he has already found a few pleasant surprises in early camp, but that it is too soon to tell much. The team is, he adds, in fine physical condition.

The first hockey action this year comes on Nov. 7 when the annual varsity-alumni game is staged. Minnesota's home opener is Dec. 5-6 against arch rival North Dakota.

Dec. 5 is the date of the first Blueline Club meeting at Jax Cafe. All hockey fans are welcome to attend this and future sessions every Friday at noon when the Gophers are in town.

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Murray McLachlan

Triple-Header Sports Attraction Nov. 22

University sports fans get a triple header bonus Saturday, November 22 at both Memorial Stadium and Williams Arena.

The day begins at 1:00 p.m. CST when coach Murray Warmath sends his gridders out for their season-ending contest against the University of Wisconsin.

Then one-half hour after the football game, two contests will begin, both in Williams Arena. Coach Bill Fitch will send his varsity cagers against the freshman team in a preview contest at one end, while hockey coach Glen Sonmor does the same thing at the other end.

Admission to Williams for the latter contests is \$1 per person, and the middle doors will be open to allow fans to view either contest, or both, on the single admission.

All proceeds from the basketball and hockey games will be donated to the Williams Scholarship Fund. So don't plan to head directly home following the Minnesota-Wisconsin football game on November 22. Stay around for the previews in Williams. Both the basketball and hockey frosh have several exciting new personalities on their squads.

Gopher Benefactor

HAROLD POND

It would be exceedingly difficult to find a more ardent University of Minnesota football fan than Harold Pond. In fact it is doubtful if there is one.

Mr. Pond, president of Advance Machine Company at Spring Park, Lake Minnetonka, recently scheduled major surgery so he would be sure not to miss the Gopher 1969 home opener with Ohio University. Even though still not fully recovered, he was right on hand with Mrs. Pond and daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Allen. "I haven't missed a home game in 45 years. When the Gophers lose, it spoils my entire weekend," admits Pond.

After graduation from Minneapolis West high in 1914, Mr. Pond worked a year and then entered the University of Minnesota aimed at a degree in Chemical Engineering. World War I intervened and the year 1917 found young Harold in infantry training at Fort Snelling. He later entered officers' training in artillery.

About the time Harold mustered out of service his father, who operated a "one-man" machine shop in southeast Minneapolis, was injured. Harold went to work in the shop.

In 1923 the family-owned and operated company began to manufacture terrazzo grinders. Business was good. In 1928 it branched out into the manufacture of floor maintenance machines. During World War II the company was occupied nearly 100 per cent with war work.

Harold's son, Bob, graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1947 and set up a sales organization which completely revolutionized Advance Machine Company's method of doing business. It had been manufacturing and distributing direct from one factory. Sales boomed and Advance and its subsidiaries moved into the world-wide market.

Today Advance Machine Co. and its subsidiaries have two plants in the Minneapolis area; one in Toronto, Canada; and is planning one in Mexico. Bob is president of Advance Floor Machine Company. Harold is president of Advance Machine Co. and board chairman of its two subsidiaries, Advance Floor Machine Co. and World Floor Machine Co. These companies are today the world's largest independent manufacturers and distributors of floor maintenance machines and equipment.

Larry Stordahl, former U. of M. hockey star, recently saw Advance machines in use in Moscow and Paris airports.

Harold Pond's interest in sports dates back to his grade school days at Whittier School in Minneapolis. He played baseball on a city championship team there. He also played a lot of kid hockey at Lake of the Isles but gave this up in favor of swimming. At the University of Minnesota he played first base on the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity team which included All American football end Bert Baston in its lineup.

Today Harold's hobbies include foreign travel; collecting antique clocks; his grandchildren, four of whom are high school or college hockey players; the University of Minnesota Medical School to which his companies contribute five scholarships of \$650 each year; the U. of M's. Bureau of Student Loans and Scholarships which benefits to the extent of \$2,000 annually; children of Advance employees attending the University who are receiving a total of \$2,000 in the current school year; and the Williams Scholarship Fund. His annual donation for \$500 for hockey scholarships from each of the three companies he heads qualifies Harold for membership in the Golden Gopher Club. As a member of this select group he attended the 1969 "M" banquet. "I really got a big kick out of being there with those hundreds of past and present Gopher athletes" says Harold. "I suppose there were some there who have been helped



Harold Pond

MAIL ORDER OPEN FOR HOCKEY, BASKETBALL SEASON TICKETS

Mail order season ticket sales in both basketball and hockey was kicked off October 20 for the 1969-70 seasons.

The price for basketball reserved seats at 12 home games is \$24.50 while the hockey charge is \$21.00 for the same number of contests.

GUARANTEED PARKING

A new wrinkle has been added to benefit season ticket holders in both sports this year — guaranteed reserved parking. Space immediately adjacent to Williams Arena has been earmarked for special parking. The charge for this bonus is \$9.00 for season ticket holders only. However, due to a lack of space, these special parking permits will be allocated on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Direct all requests for both reserved seats and parking permits to Ticket Office, Room 108 Cooke Hall on campus.

November 8 is the deadline for re-order patrons. Single game orders will be taken starting Nov. 10.

Cooke Hall Grieves Rich Donnelly Death

Everyone in Cooke Hall was deeply saddened by the accidental death of Dr. Richard J. Donnelly, director of the Department of Physical Education for Men.

Not only was Rich held in the very highest esteem within his profession, but he was also regarded warmly as a friend by his associates within the department he headed and the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. Athletic Director Marsh Ryman with whom Dr. Donnelly worked so very closely was completely stunned by news of his death in an airplane crash Friday, October 3 during a snowstorm in Denver, Colorado. Said Ryman, "Rich was not only outstanding in his field but he was also intensely interested in our intercollegiate athletics program and his cooperation with our department left absolutely nothing to be desired. It will be extremely difficult to replace him. Rich will be long remembered for the wonderful person he was and for his significant contributions in the area of Physical Education."

5-Year Saving of \$130,000 Seen in Bleacher Reduction

The University athletic department made a decision this fall which resulted in reducing Memorial Stadium seating capacity by 2,632. The loss of seating comes in the now permanent west end zone bleachers.

But the obvious gain in not having to dismantle the structure at the end of each season, and then put it back up the following summer will, in the long run, far outweigh the minor loss of seats.

According to Marsh W. Ryman, athletic director, "We will realize an accumulated saving of about \$130,000 in five years by not having to break down and reconstruct the stands every time we turn around. This by itself justifies the loss of seats."

In past years the bleacher section, seating 6,552, extended across the running track. Now, with permanent room for 3,916, track and other events may be conducted with only minor adjustments necessary.

through school by the little part I play through the Williams Fund. Meeting these fine young men is always more than enough reward for me."

Mr. Pond's faith in these ex-Gophers is such that several, including Jerry Rau, Len Stream, and Brian Lawson, hold prominent positions with his companies.

Comments from Cooke

The 329 Gopher varsity athletes who comprise this year's 11 squads earned a fine grade point average of 2.42, which is a strong C+ average. The majority of our athletes are in the College of Liberal Arts, but the 29 student-athletes who are enrolled in the Institute of Technology earned the highest grade point average as a group with a 2.78 average which is a B—.

While Tennis Coach Joe Walsh is completing his Ph.D. in California this fall, former Gopher tennis player, Tom Boice (lettered in 1964-65-66) will be coaching the Gopher freshman and varsity squads.

Many favorable calls, letters and comments have been made to this Department about the Viking-Packer game which was played in Memorial Stadium on October 5. We are pleased that so many fans took the time to express their pleasure with all the facets surrounding the playing of the Viking game here on the campus.

During the summer months, Dr. Ralph Piper was in West Africa studying the culture of many of their tribes and making a documentary film of their life activities — especially the tribal dances. World traveller Ralph leads all other Cooke Hall staff in the number of miles travelled and countries visited during the past ten years.

Last month Bronko Nagurski was named to the All-Time All-American College football team by the U.S. Football Writers Association. As a result of this great honor, a plaque and a scholarship in the name of Bronko Nagurski have been awarded to the Athletic Department by Chevrolet Motor Division. This is certainly one of the highest honors a football player can receive, and we send heartiest congratulations to our one and only Bronko.

The entering group of freshmen student-athletes has an average high school rank of 70th percent which indicates that there should be few scholastic problems with this group during the next four years.

Since early September, the Gopher Athletic Department has shared in joint promotion with the Minnesota Vikings and Minnesota Northstars and the Minneapolis and St. Paul Chambers of Commerce in promoting "weekends to the Twin Cities." Fans in the mid-west can be treated most every weekend to a great sports package of top entertainment on this campus and out at the Met Center and Metropolitan Stadium.

Many thanks to the enthusiastic St. Paul Williams Scholarship Committee for their highly successful October 20th Williams Scholarship stag at Midland Hills Country Club. This is the fourth year that this group has made a substantial donation to the Williams Scholarship fund as a result of their efforts.

Williams Fund Still \$30,000 Short of \$100,000 Goal

According to Jerry Kindall, director of the Williams Scholarship Fund, the 1969-70 drive which ends December 31 has reached more than 70 percent of the original record goal of \$100,000.

So there is still time left for those of you to get on the bandwagon and make your contribution to this worthy Fund. Without Williams Scholarships, many of the outstanding student-athletes who are now or have performed in the past for the University of Minnesota may have either gone elsewhere or might not have been able to gain a college education at all.

No contribution is too small. In fact, Kindall says it is the legion of small donors who make up the lion's share of the total each year. So send in your check or money order now to: Williams Scholarship Fund, Room 109 Cooke Hall, Minneapolis 55455.

Attention "M" men: mark your calendars to attend the annual "M" Stag on Friday night, November 21 at the Radisson Hotel. The "M" Board Chairman for this event is former tennis player Ron Simon.

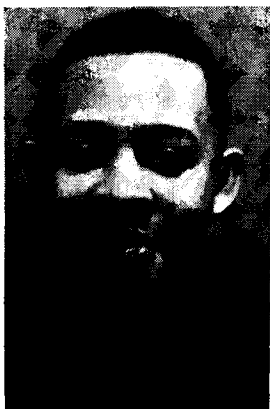
Director Marsh Ryman recently received the following note from Leo J. Turner, Vice President of Investors Diversified Services who co-sponsored several developmental track meets during the summer. "It is a pleasure to work with dedicated men such as Roy Griak and I sincerely wish that every University in the country would follow the successful pattern being set forth in Minnesota."

We were sorry to see Bill Munsey's job transfer him to Fresno, Calif. He was a member of the "M" Club board of directors for the coming year but his position has been filled by former basketball captain Paul Presthus.

HOME HOCKEY SCHEDULE

Preliminary Game Time: 6:00 p.m.	Varsity Game Time: 8:00 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 5	North Dakota
Sat., Dec. 6	North Dakota
Fri., Jan. 2	Colorado College
Sat., Jan. 3	Colorado College
Fri., Jan. 9	U. of M. Duluth
Sat., Jan. 10	U. of M. Duluth
Fri., Jan. 23	Michigan
Sat., Jan. 24 3:00 p.m.	Michigan
Fri., Feb. 13	Michigan State
Sat., Feb. 14	Michigan State
Fri., Feb. 27	Wisconsin
Sat., Feb. 28	Wisconsin

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NO. 1 ??? It didn't take the 1969 U. M. cross country squad very long to establish itself as No. 1 in the Conference this fall.

In the opener with arch-rival Wisconsin, considered a prime contender for the Big Ten title, the Gophers romped off with a lopsided 15-46 decision—lowest possible winning score. They next ran away from Ohio State (15-49) and Indiana (20-39) in a double dual. They next clinched their No. 1 claim by edging Michigan State's defending champions 28-29 with Gary Bjorklund of Proctor breaking the U. M. 5-mile course record in 24:56.4.

Shown in the photo are: Back row (L to R): John Hopko, Pat Kelly, Gary Bjorklund, Terry Thomas, Don Timm, Mike Lawless, Coach Roy Griak.

Front row: Dean Swanson, Carter Holmes, Gene Daly, Mike Hanley, Tom Page, Greg Nelson.

Cooke Hall Profile . . .

MARION RAIHALA

Thanks to the booming aviation industry in 1942 when she got a neo "Rosy The Riveter" job, Marion Raihala is now Assistant Athletic Ticket Manager in the Cooke Hall ticket office. But it didn't happen that directly or easily.

Marion worked installing airplane radios from 1942 through 1946 at Northwest Air Lines until she accumulated enough money to enter the University. It was then she began part-time student work in the ticket office.

But Marion Raihala had dreams of joining another booming industry — advertising. So with her B.A. degree in journalism tucked away in 1950, she joined the firm of Clark Hardware Wholesale Co. and became the assistant advertising manager. However, several reasons popped up for her to later become disappointed with the advertising world.



Marion Raihala

"At that time there was a lot of prejudice against women in advertising," Marion says. "I finally realized my future was way too limited here, so I decided to get out.

"I remembered the fine people I worked with, how well I was treated and the chance for a lot of contact with people at the University ticket office. So, in 1956 they took me back and, well, here I am.

"I had little idea at that time I was beginning a long time career in the office. I've got a great job, great workmates, a wonderful boss and fine working conditions. What more can a gal ask for?"

Marion started out as a clerk, later moved to head clerk and then head cashier. In February of this year she was appointed to her present position as assistant to Robert Geary.

"Right now Floodwood, Minnesota (her hometown) seems a long way away. But I honestly enjoy my work and the people I associate with. One of the most gratifying elements is working with part-time student help, and seeing them move out into the world. Many of them remain in contact with us.

"As in almost any job there are times when things get uptight—come to think of it they still do—but we don't run into as many long overtime sessions as in past years. That was the only drawback to this job. But then, keeping busy, no matter how long at a time, makes for a more interesting job. However, I would like to think we have come a long way in this office since 1956."

Marion now resides in St. Louis Park and includes two dogs and two cats in her household. (It has been rumored that the cats can talk). She spends much leisure time creating oil portraits of her friends and dogs, and also finds time to play golf and bowl. "Unfortunately my golf and bowling scores often match up," Marion says.

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