



S-T-R-R-E-T-C-H: Reaching for the ball are Wally Johnson (10) and Tom Malchow (44) of the Aberdeen Eagles as Ken O'Neill of the Pierre Governors tries to break up the play from below. (Daily Plainsman Photo)

Former Huron Great 'Cornie' Collin Snares Honors In Nebraska

Just 30 years ago this week the fabulous Cornie Collin led Huron High School to a state high school basketball championship. Collin, regarded by many as the greatest all-time cager in South Dakota prep circles, went on to Creighton University where his basketball deeds are still talked about on the Omaha campus.

Today Collin is still cutting a wide swath in Nebraska cage circles — now as coach of the undefeated Omaha South High School team. South recently completed a 21-game schedule without defeat and was awarded the Omaha World Herald plaque as the 1960 Nebraska high school champion after winning the state tourney. Collin, who previously has won another Nebraska state title with his Packers, has a team this year built around 6 foot 8½ inch Bill Vincent at center. Cornie's son, Jim described as a fine floor man, is a regular. Mrs. Collin is the former Ardyth Witte of Huron.

Cornie, in addition to leading Huron to a state championship in 1930 (before the Class "A" and "B" separation was made) started as a freshman on Huron's 1927 state championship team which went to the semi-finals of the national Stagg tournament at the University of Chicago.

Collin was named to the all-tournament team and a teammate, Sam Perrin, set an individual single game scoring record in first round play against Lincoln, Neb. The Stagg tournament was discontinued shortly after the 1927 tourney.

Collin teamed with Al Walz at forwards on the 1930 Huron team. At guards were Burton Ayres and Claude Jones, who died recently in Florida, and at center was Bob Bryan. Huron defeated Yankton in the tourney final after a last-second, one-point victory over Salem in the semis. Starring with Salem that year was big Ed Schallenkamp, now a Huron businessman.

By GARY RUSSELL
United Press International
 Bill Russell and Bob Cousy, the long and short of the Boston Celtics, were set to double-team the Philadelphia Warriors again tonight in their Eastern Division finals of the National Basketball Association playoffs.

Minneapolis evened its best-of-seven Western Division final playoff series with St. Louis Thursday night as Elgin Baylor's 40 points rallied the Lakers to a 120-107 victory over the Hawks.

Boston won its opener over Philadelphia Wednesday when the Celtics' Bill Russell, out-rebounded by Warriors' Chamberlain all season, gained control of the backboards. Chamberlain's 42 points were not enough as the six-foot Cousy passed off for 13 Boston baskets and scored 19 points himself.

Stop-Cousy Strategy
 Coach Neil Johnston mapped a stop-Cousy strategy for tonight's second game, but admitted "checking Cousy is a difficult problem."

"If you move in on him," Johnston said, "he dribbles in, passes off or throws over to Bill Sharman, who plays even deeper."

Johnston predicted the Warriors would make a better showing and improve their accuracy from the field. Chamberlain's total more than doubled the figure of Paul Arizin, his closest scoring companion, who had 18 points.

Minneapolis, meantime, is following the same pattern that led to its upset over St. Louis in last year's Western finals and sent the Lakers into a losing championship round with the Celtics.

Baylor Paces Lakers
 Like last season, the Hawks won the first game on Wednesday, holding Baylor to 19 points. This time, however, the Hawks couldn't contain the former Seattle University All-American as he brought his team back from a 90-86 third quarter deficit.

The Lakers converted a sizzling 50.5 per cent of their field goal attempts. Baylor had plenty of help as Frank Selvy, a former Hawk, tallied 22 points and Hotrod Hundley canned 25.

BOWLING MEET
 The Huron men's bowling association will hold a meeting Tuesday night at The Plains. The meeting will start at 7:30 and all members are urged to attend.