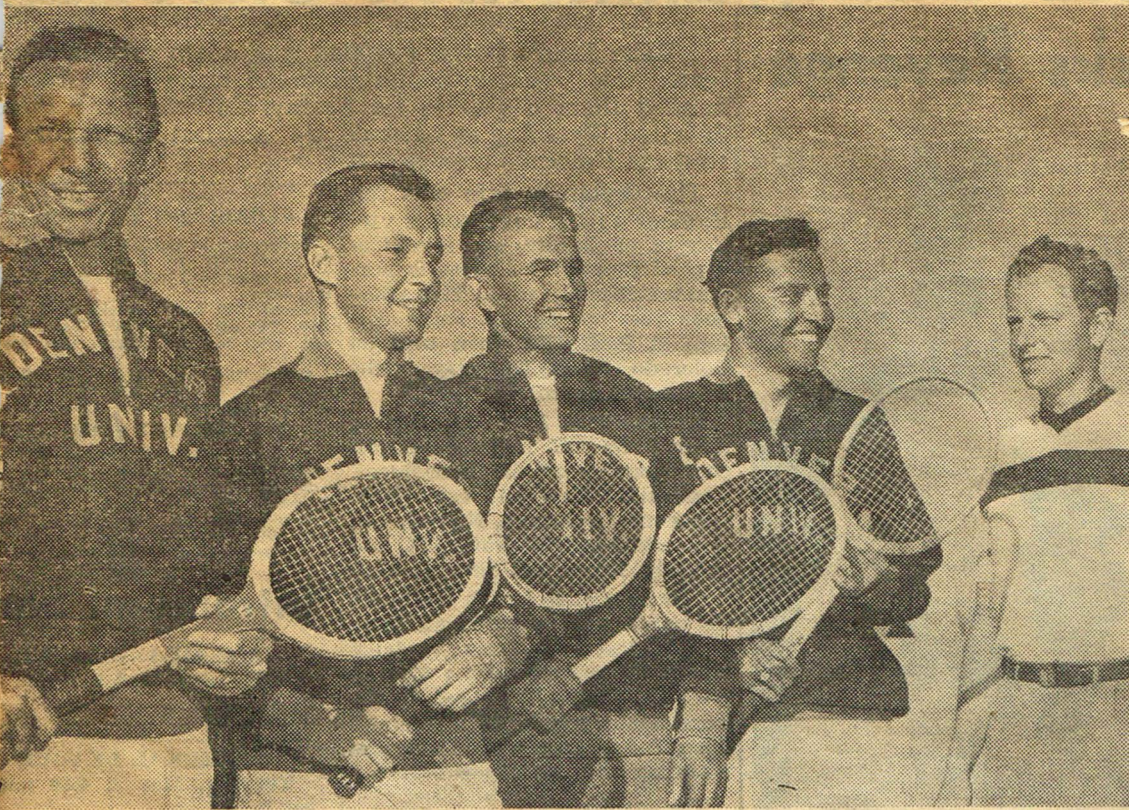


Tennis Anyone?



CLAYTON BENHAM, JACK TERBORG, Grover Jacobs, Irwin Hoffman and Coach Fran Garth (left to right) will make DU's first extended Tennis road trip this week and go against such powers as Nebraska, Iowa, Michigan State, Pittsburgh, Duquesne and Northwestern. The four players have formed the backbone of Denver's undefeated racket squad, rated among the best in the nation.

Acsell Paces Field in State Tennis Tourney

Bob Acsell of Denver, a former Colorado University star, led the field into the quarterfinals of the Wyoming state tennis tournament Saturday as he scored a smashing 6-0, 6-0 victory over David Clough.



Irwin Hoffman

Acsell, runner-up in last year's men's singles, took the favorite's role with the announcement that former state champion Bill Weatherill, now living in Los Angeles, had been unable to make the tournament.

Other top entries advanced in the three-day tourney along with Acsell.

Cheyenne Champ Wins

Pete Cook, Cheyenne city champion, had little difficulty disposing of Judge Carson of Denver, 6-0, 6-1. Carson previously had defeated Murt Powell of Casper, 6-0, 6-2.

Jack Gale, president of the host Casper tennis club, was extended to three sets before eliminating Alvie Willis of Denver, 6-3, 2-6, 9-7. Willis earlier had ousted John Osborne of Casper, 6-3, 7-5.

Former state doubles champ Jim Sprowell of Rock Springs also had a severe test before dowing George Cramer of Casper, 6-4, 7-5.

In other singles matches, Allen Olsen of Scottsbluff, Neb., defeated Ken Petri of Laramie, 6-3, 9-7, then bowed to Allen Weatherby of Casper, 6-2, 6-1. Weatherby also eliminated Jim Noonan of Denver in a hard-fought 4-6, 6-4, 6-1 match.

Other Entries Advance

Don Christian of Cheyenne topped Phil Hogue of Denver, 6-2, 3-6, 6-1, then lost to Irwin Hoffman of Denver, 9-7, 7-5; Brad Bartlett of Denver edged Richard Williams of Cheyenne, 6-4, 6-4; and Charles Punt of Los Angeles whipped Don Elliott of Cheyenne, 6-0, 6-2.

M. Hoffman of Denver ousted Gerald Sullivan of Casper, 6-1, 6-1, in the only junior division match.

Play starts again at 8:30 a.m.



DENVER CLARION

SPORTS

Extended Road Trip Set for Tennis Stars

By STU SHRYER

Denver university's undefeated tennis team, ranked among the best in the nation, gets its big chance this week when four top performers move eastward on an extended road trip.

The four-man squad, which will journey as far as Pittsburgh, is made up of Clayton Benham, who has yet to be defeated, Jack Terborg, Grover Jacobs and Irwin Hoffman, ranked by Coach Fran Garth in that order.

Nebraska Tomorrow

First stop will be tomorrow afternoon when the Pioneers meet the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Thursday they go against Iowa at Iowa City, and Friday they meet Michigan State at Lansing.

From there the quartet moves eastward to Pittsburgh where they play the University of Pittsburgh on Tuesday, then go against Duquesne, of the same city, on Thursday. During the return trip they stop off at Evanston, Ill., for a set with Northwestern on May 21.

Just to make things a little harder the Skyline conference tennis championship playoffs are scheduled for May 25 at Ft. Collins.

Big 10 Tough

Advance information has it that toughest competition will come from Big 10 Representatives Iowa and Northwestern. Both schools take their tennis seriously and are well staffed with lettermen.

All of the matches will include four singles and two doubles.

Benham, rated among the best collegiate performers, has yet to be defeated in singles play, while the doubles combo of Benham and Terborg has an equal record. Jacobs and Hoffman will form the second doubles team.

Racket Team Notches Pair, Still Unbeaten

DU's all-conquering tennis team added two more in the win column Thursday and Saturday as the team downed Lowry Air Force base 12-1, and the University of Wyoming, 8-1, on the Cowboy courts.

The Pioneer racket squad now has seven consecutive victories for the young season. They had previously dumped Wyoming on DU courts, 9-0 and 7-2. Other victories were a single 7-2 win over Aggies, and shutout wins from Colorado college and Colorado State.

In both contests last week Denver lost but one singles match. Clayton Benham and Jack Terborg continued their singles and doubles domination.

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SINGLES—Benham (DU) def. Walker, 6-1; Terborg (DU) def. Waddell, 6-0, 6-0; Jacobs (DU) def. Dervin, 6-2, 6-1; Hoffman (DU) def. Dunn, 6-3, 6-1; Love (DU) def. Morales, 6-1, 6-1; Shissler (DU) def. Walsh, 6-1, 6-0; Davies (DU) def. Dadd, 8-6, 7-5; Loggins (DU) def. Sitas, 6-2, 6-3; Newmar (DU) def. Bettelli, 6-0, 6-3; Epstein (L) def. Morrisard, 6-2, 6-1.

DOUBLES—Benham and Terborg (DU) def. Walker and Waddell, 6-0, 6-2; Jacobs and Hoffman (DU) def. Dervin and Dunn, 6-2, 6-0; Love and Shissler (DU) led Morales and Walsh, 6-1, 3-2 (match called for darkness).

WYOMING

SINGLES—Terborg (DU) def. Dohan, 6-2, 6-2; Benham (DU) def. Petri, 6-1, 6-1; Watts (W) def. Jacobs, 6-3, 6-3; Hoffman (DU) def. Deits, 6-3, 6-2; Love (DU) def. Williams, 6-4, 6-1; Shissler (DU) def. Stephenson, 6-4, 6-4.

DOUBLES—Benham and Terborg (DU) def. Watts and Deits, 6-1, 6-2; Love and Hoffman (DU) def. Deits and Stephenson, 6-4; Hoffman and Davies (DU) def. Watts and Waddell, 6-1, 6-2.

Tickets may be purchased at the

DU Ping Pong Team Runners-Up in State

Winning 11 out of 23 matches, DU's table tennis team copped runner-up honors behind Colorado U. in the Rocky Mountain Table Tennis Tournament.

Members of the second place Pioneer club were Irwin Hoffman, captain; Peter Sachs, Carl King, Roy Smith, Marty Cohen. Other teams were Colorado College, Colorado State, Colorado A&M, CU, and DU.

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