



## Youth Movement

With little experience to help them, members of the O. U. basketball team are attempting to win games with hustle and a sound grounding in game's fundamentals.

Everything seemed to be against a basketball resurrection when the season opened in early December. The team was studded with sophomores. Only one senior was listed and he was not a starter.

Center Joe King, 6-6½ junior, was a genuine offensive threat and the only one, but he would have to face much taller men in '57 than he did in '56 from a forward position. Coach Doyle Parrack's second season at O. U. promised, on paper, to be as uneventful as his first: 19 losses, 4 wins.

But as season opened, the sophomores gave warning to many an experienced team. Through hustle and despite mistakes, they picked up a couple of wins in pre-holiday play. At the Big Seven's tournament during the holidays, the Sooners became a Cinderella team by beating favored Kansas State. The win earned them fourth place in the tourney. The young Sooners were on their way up.



Joe King, Sooners' scoring ace, drives for basket in early season game with Illinois. A junior, King holds the key to the offensive punch of sophomore-laden team.