The Cover

Here's the long and short of sports at O.U. Johnny Allup, 5-3½, speedy halfback on the Sooner football team looks up into the face of 6-10, Marcus Freiberger, freshman basketballer. For Marcus this year is the beginning of collegiate sports, but this was Johnny's last season. He is a business senior. Marcus is following in the footsteps of two Udneys who were basketball greats in the Southwest Conference.

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