

When I was running the streets of the northwest-side development friends to peruse the cards was a thing to do, especially when rain halted the Indianball game at the park. Some of us would sit under a tree for hours and put Bob Ueckers and Ted Uehlanders and Gary Geigers on the trading block. Especially the Geigers, which seemed to come one to a pack.

Soon, my interests changed and the cards were stashed in some far corner of the attic. In fact, in recent years, I figured the shoebox-full of cards was history.

But not long ago, I accidentally found the cards at my parents' home. Why my mother chose to keep them, I wonder.

Anyway, I was into card collecting again. I was fascinated to find among the collection a 1956 Bob Feller and some early Pete Rose and Mickey Mantle. The beloved Minnesota Twins' cards were secured with a rubberband — "The Fence Busters" Harmon Killebrew and Bob Allison, along with Oliva and Carew and Versalles.

Frankly, the stacks largely included pictures of players like Ted Kubiak and Walt Hrniak, Billy Grabarkewitz and Julian Javier. Those kinds were good for trade bait if nothing else.

For some reason, I even went to a card show and purchased a book that lists the value of every card ever printed. I was able to deter-

Williams was not specific on the total amount he was paid, but said, "It was five of Cedar Hills, gathering with figures. I'd get three-figure amounts, four figures a couple times."

> Williams, who completed his eligibility after the 1985 season, said he never told the owa State Coach Jim Criner, Criner's coaches or teammates of his dealings with Walters and loom.

> "I kind of kept it to myself," Williams said. A federal grand jury in Chicago began looking into the dealings of Walters and loom on Tuesday. During the course of the investigation, which is expected to last several weeks, 60 athletes representing 28

schools are expected to be subpoenaed to appear.

A U.S. attorney in Chicago reportedly is using legal means to induce athletes to cooperate with the probe. Athletes appearing before the grand jury Tuesday were threatened with up to a one-year jail sentence on raud and tax evasion charges, The Atlanta Constitution reported.

Williams reportedly is on the list of those who eventually will be subpoenaed, but he said he had not been asked to testify.

However, he said he would appear if called upon.

"Personally, I don't think (Walters and Bloom) did anything wrong and I don't think any of the players involved in this are wrong," Williams said.

"People say athletes get a lot and we do get an education. But an education doesn't buy clothes or to take your girlfriend out. The school's making millions and we're not allowed to work during the season to make extra money. It's also illegal for you to sell

wide receiver Tracy Henderson to Ames. Henderson was dismissed from the ISU team by Criner in February, 1985. Two months later, Henderson was taken in the National Football League draft by the New York Giants.

"They flew Tracy from New York to Ames for Tracy to get in touch with me," Williams said.

Shortly after his meeting with Henderson, Williams was paid by Walters and Bloom to take a flight to New York, Williams said. While there, Williams said he signed a

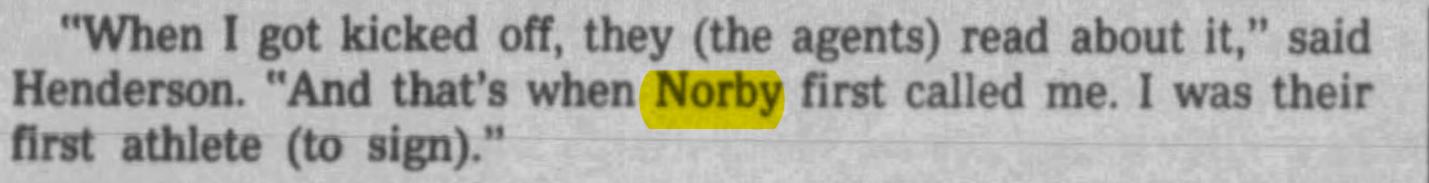
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Henderson: No fears of grand jury **By Jim Ecker** Gazette assistant sports editor

Tracy Henderson, a former All-American at Iowa State, said he had no dealings with sports agent Norby Walters until after leaving the Cyclone football team in the winter of 1985.

"I didn't sign with him until after (former ISU Coach Jim) Criner kicked me off the team," Henderson told The Gazette when reached in Chicago on Wednesday.

Henderson, an All-American in 1983 and '84, said he received no money from agents while a member of the ISU team. Criner dismissed Henderson after his junior season in February of 1985, and Henderson said he signed with Walters and his associate, Lloyd Bloom, in time for the 1985 NFL draft in April.



Henderson is one of approximately 60 athletes from 28 schools listed to testify before the federal grand jury in Chicago, according to the Atlanta Constitution, but Henderson said he has not been subpoenaed to appear.

He said he does not fear an appearance before the grand jury. "I ain't got nothing to hide," he said. "I didn't violate any college rules or any NCAA rules."

Investigators subpoenaed Iowa State for records pertaining to Henderson and Lester Williams. The records were supplied, according to Reid Crawford, an assistant to the ISU president. Crawford said the records did not indicate any apparent problems.

Henderson said he recommended Williams as a client to Walters and Bloom.

Henderson was drafted but then cut by the Giants before the 1985 NFL season began, and played briefly with Saskatchewan in

Criner questioned in probe of agents

By AI Hall Gazette sportswriter

Former Iowa State football coach Jim Criner has talked with investigators in connection with the federal probe of sports agent Norby Walters. Criner told The Gazette Wednesday he had been questioned but did not think he would be subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury in Chicago.

"I don't have any first-hand information so I don't think I will be (subpoenaed)," Criner told The Gazette.

"I have been (questioned)," Criner said. "I told them everything I knew."

He said he was not directly aware of illegal

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Henderson

mine my not-so-vast-collection was worth a three-figure sum.

The shoebox eventually was stored in a closet with the assumption it would collect dust until my son or daughter caught the collecting bug. Or until their mother determined the shoebox and its contents had to go.

But recently, we had a sale and a young man came by looking for old bats, marbles and/or baseball cards. He seemed like one of those collector types who go around hoping to find boxes of cards in someone's attic.

I told him I had some old cards and that it would be fine if he sifted through them.

He gave them a good going over, like he knew what he was looking for. When he was finished, the young man wondered aloud if the cards were for sale. I thought maybe I'd just see how much the guy was willing to give, since I had ballpark estimate of what the assortment was worth.

But on second thought, I couldn't part with the cards. Whatever price this potential buyer would offer, it wasn't worth it.

On the one hand, the collection is worth a small piece of change. But on the other, it is priceless. In those few moments, I determined these cards were one of the few pleasing, tangible links to my childhood. Some things about your younger years you'd just as soon not remember. But the cards, they brought back a lot of memories of summer afternoons. Memories that aren't for sale.

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Around the horn

· Par scores may not win many tournaments on the PGA Tour, but they can be awfully profitable.

Shooting par every round last season would have earned a player \$363,863 and ranked him 13th on the money list. Par would have won the British Open and given a player top 10 finishes in four other Tour events.

Even par would have earned over \$100,000 on the LPGA and Seniors tours, too.

• Bob Driscoll, former all-stater at Cedar Rapids Jefferson, will go into the fall as the No. 1 tight end at Northwestern.

Driscoll was a co-captain last Saturday in the Wildcats' spring football game, which was attended by 5,500 fans.

Coach Francis Peay intended to divide the White and Purple teams evenly instead of pit his starters against the reserves. The White team won, 17-14.

Driscoll has played extensively in his first three years at Northwestern, catching 32 passes. But he has yet to haul in a touchdown pass.

Mount Mercy pitcher LuAnn Campbell prepares to deliver a pitch during last weekend's NAIA bi-district tournament at Ellis Park. Campbell, an NAIA all-American last year, will lead the 11th-ranked Mustangs into today's first-round game of the NAIA Tournament against 10th-ranked Washburn, Kan.

with that game now scheduled for 3 p.m.

The tournament site, Harvey Park Complex, has four dirt

choice in 1986, Lammers a firstteamer in 1985. Campbell has a 33-3 record, best among national

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Walden: Agent problem was worse 10 years ago

Iowa State head football coach Jim Walden insists unscrupulous professional sports agents are not as prevalent on college campuses as they once were.

"The people of Iowa have been very protected and sheltered," Walden said Wednesday night in Cedar Rapids at a Linn County Cyclone Club gathering at Ellis Park.

"The agent problem was running rampant 10 years ago," Walden said. "To me, the situation with Norby Walters is the exception. He's one isolated guy who was just throwing money on people. Norby Walters is history."

Walters is the New York sports and entertainment agent whose actions are being scrutinized by a federal grand jury. Walters has admitted giving cash to Ronnie Harmon and Devon Mitchell when they were members of the Iowa football team. Former Iowa State football player Lester Williams admitted to receiving payments from Walters' organization while he played for the Cyclones.

"To say it's lowa's problem, or lowa State's problem, or the NCAA's problem is ludicrous," Walden said. "I'm telling you it's not a problem. It's a problem for Ronnie Harmon and a couple of our old guys, but it'll pass."

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contract with WSE and attended the Giants' training camp. "The terms of the contract were that I would pay back the loan when I signed a (professional) contract. It was more or less a loan," Williams said. "They were very good people. They treated me first class. I had a very good time and they introduced me to a lot of stars in the entertainment business that they represent. They made me feel right at home. "I did attend the Giants' camp. I went up there to see Tracy. Lloyd Bloom) had someone else drive me there, someone who worked with them." Williams admitted to receiving a series of payments until the summer of 1986, not long after the April NFL draft. Williams, who played in all 11 games his senior season despite the knee injury, was not selected in the NFL draft.

"Not quite," he said. Was it four or five figures? "Five figures," he said. "Aside from the monthly payments," Williams continued, "you could get more. Whenever you needed it, all you had to do was call them. They asked me a couple times if I needed more and I told them

Milwaukee finally brews up another win

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — When Milwaukee began the season with a recordtying 13-game winning streak, some of the Brewers said they felt like they never would lose again.

Then, as they then fell into the American League's longest losing streak in almost five years, the

MAJOR LEAGUES

players said every night they felt their fortunes were about to turn.

The Brewers finally ended their losing streak, which had reached a club-record 12 games, with a 5-1 victory Wednesday over the Chicago White Sox. Two-run homers by Cecil Cooper and Greg Brock and the six-hit pitching of Juan Nieves and Dan Plesac gave the Brewers their first victory since May 2.

"I'm happy it's over. One in a row is very exciting," Manager Tom Trebelhorn said. "During the streak, everyone has felt distraught, angry and frustrated at times. But they handled it very well. Every day the guys came back ready to play." Milwaukee's losing streak was the longest in the majors since the Chicago Cubs dropped 13 straight in June 1985 and the longest in the AL since the Minnesota Twins lost 14 straight from May 19-June 2, 1982.

Mets lose Ojeda for year

NEW YORK (AP) - New York Mets lefthander Bob Ojeda will require surgery to correct a nerve problem in his left elbow and will be lost for the remainder of the season, the club announced Wednesday.

Ojeda was examined by Dr. Jim Andrews in Birmingham, Ala., Wednesday afternoon and, in a subsequent telephone conversation with team physician with Dr. James Parkes, it was agreed that Ojeda's problem involved the ulnar nerve below the elbow and that surgery would be necessary.

According to Parkes, the surgery would involve the anterior transposition of the ulnar nerve.

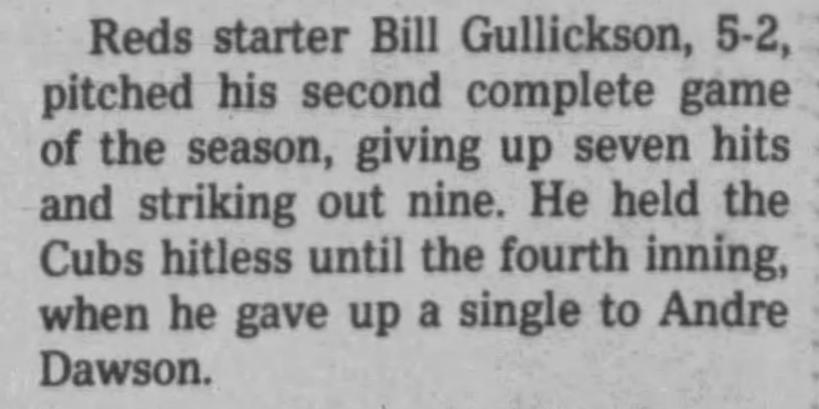
Ojeda was 2-4 with a 4.31 earned run average in six appearances this season, all

starts. He missed several starts before pitching five innings in a 2-0 loss to Montreal on May 3, then was removed after one inning of a 5-4 loss to Atlanta on May 9 and has not pitched since.

Minnesota.

break a 2-2 tie and Juan Berenguer when I walked in the clubhouse today after the game I noticed the guys were saying, 'Now let's get something started.' "

Ironically, Joel Davis, 1-3, whose only victory of the season ended the Brewers' 13-game winning streak April 21, was Wednesday's loser.



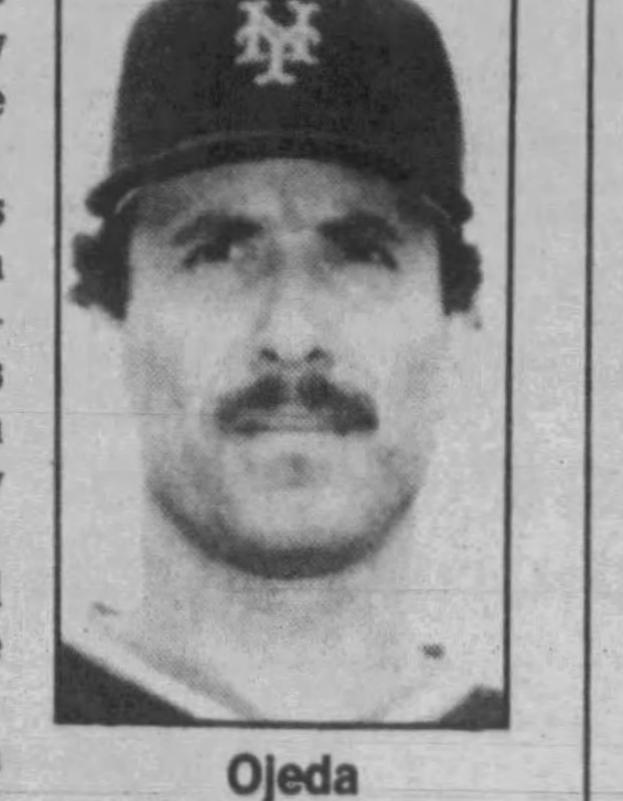
Cards 5, Braves 4

ATLANTA — Ozzie Smith's tiebreaking single in the ninth inning gave St. Louis the victory despite Ozzie Virgil's eighth home run in eight games for the Braves. Vince Coleman opened the ninth with a single and stole second, his 26th steal of the season. Smith followed with his single to right, scoring Coleman, off loser Gene Garber, 5-3.

Virgil, who has 14 homers this season, including 11 in May, hit a solo shot in the second.

Red Sox 7, Royals 1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Glenn Hoffman and Wade Boggs drove in two runs apiece in support of Bruce Hurst's four-hitter and the Boston Red Sox snapped a three-game



Williams said he received mostly "three-figure" amounts of money, but sometimes "four figures."

"I really don't know how much it came to altogether," he said. "Only they have the records of that."

During his interview with The Gazette, Williams was asked if he received close to the amount Walters gave Iowa running back Ron Harmon. Harmon was paid more than \$54,000 during his career. "Not that much," Williams responded. Half that much?

Williams said the payments sometimes were sent to him through the mail, while others were by Western Union money orders. Williams said he isn't now being required by Walters and Bloom to repay them.

"I think right now, maybe I'll be asked to see a player who has pro potential, maybe give them a call," he said.

Williams said the National Collegiate Athletic Association should reform to allow athletes to receive some spending money. He also believes Walters and Bloom are the target of other agents.

"As far as Lloyd and Norby are concerned, I think a lot of things they're saying about them, they're making up," he said. "I think a lot of other agents don't like their success.

"They're always able to get the best players because they're willing to pay the money. I don't think anybody's done anything wrong." Williams said Bloom told him last Thursday that Bloom was trying to get Williams a tryout with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

"The ballclub never got too up or too down," Trebelhorn said. "Even

Twins 8, Indians 2

CLEVELAND — Tom Brunansky hit his third career grand slam with two out in the sixth inning to

field fence for his seventh home run of the season.

Reds 6, Cubs 2

struck out eight in $6\frac{1}{3}$ innings for

Brunansky hit a 3-2 pitch from

Tom Candiotti, 1-6, over the left-

CHICAGO — Barry Larkin, Nick Esasky and Dave Parker homered as Cincinnati snapped Chicago's five-game winning streak.

losing streak with a victory over Kansas City.

Giants 9, Expos 7

MONTREAL — Chili Davis' fourth single of the game drove in the go-ahead run in the eighth inning for San Francisco.

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tourney pitchers. She and Lammers both are batting .370.

The Mustangs are making their first national tournament appearance with a 42-6 record, best in the history of the Mount Mercy program, third best in the national tourney field.

"The players are very upset," Mount Mercy Coach Bob Timmons said of the all-American selections. "They want to prove something now.'

Washburn, the only at-large team in the field, is 34-19, was ranked eighth nationally, and is seeded seventh here.

The Ichabods were invited after losing their bi-district with topranked, top-seeded Oklahoma City, two games to one. The losses were 3-1 in eight innings, 1-0 in nine. They're led by two 1986 firstteam All-Americans, senior pitcher Diane Klamm, who is 18-7 with a 0.97 ERA, and junior first baseman Latisha Yarnell, who is batting .344. The Washburn-Mount Mercy win-

NAIA TOURNAMENT **Today's first-round games**

(All lowa times) Concordia, Minn. (26-16) vs. Kearney State, Neb. (37-15), noon Missouri Southern (38-14) vs. Davis & Elkins, W.Va. (18-9), noon St. Mary's, Texas (22-16) vs. St. Mary's, Calif. (35-16), 1:30 Wilmington, Del. (26-4) vs. Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis (51-11), 1:30 Mount Mercy (42-6) vs. Washburn, Kan. (34-19), 3 Francis Marion, S.C. (36-2) Pacific Lutheran, Wash. (28-3), 3 Western Florida (50-14) vs. Castleton State, Vt. (NA), 4:30 Oklahoma City (43-25) vs. Saginaw Valley, Mich. (19-13), 4:30

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the Canadian Football League.

Henderson said he received loans from Walters and Bloom after leaving ISU, but said he repaid the amount with money received from the Giants. Henderson said he does some work for Walters and Bloon in Chicago, trying to recruit athletes as clients.

Henderson mentioned former Big Ten athletes Efrem Winters, Ken Norman and Shaun Gayle as people he tried to recruit. He also said he went to Chicago bars, such as the one operated by Chicago Bears football coach Mike Ditka, on recruiting trips for the agents.

"That's what I did," he said.

Henderson said he is still under contract to Walters and Bloom.

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payments although he suspected the possibility when he kicked Tracy Henderson, an All-America wide receiver, off the squad after his junior season.

"This was in the off-season," Criner recalled of the winter of 1984-85. "I suspected that Tracy, at that point after the season, may have been developing a relationship with Walters.

"Tracy denied it. A lot of the players suspected something might be going on."

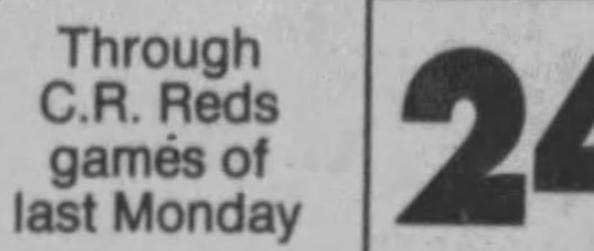
Criner, reached at his new business the Bud Lilly Trout Shop in West Yellowstone, Mont., said he was unaware of payments to Williams.

"My understanding on it," Criner said, "was that I didn't think Lester Williams was involved until after he had finished his senior season."

ner will meet either second-ranked, second-seeded West Florida, at 50-14 the winningest team in the field, or 24-7 Castleton (Vt.) State, unranked and seeded 15th.

Host Kearney State, 37-5, which has qualified for six of the seven national tourneys the NAIA has conducted, is the No. 3 seed and is in the upper bracket with Mount Mercy.



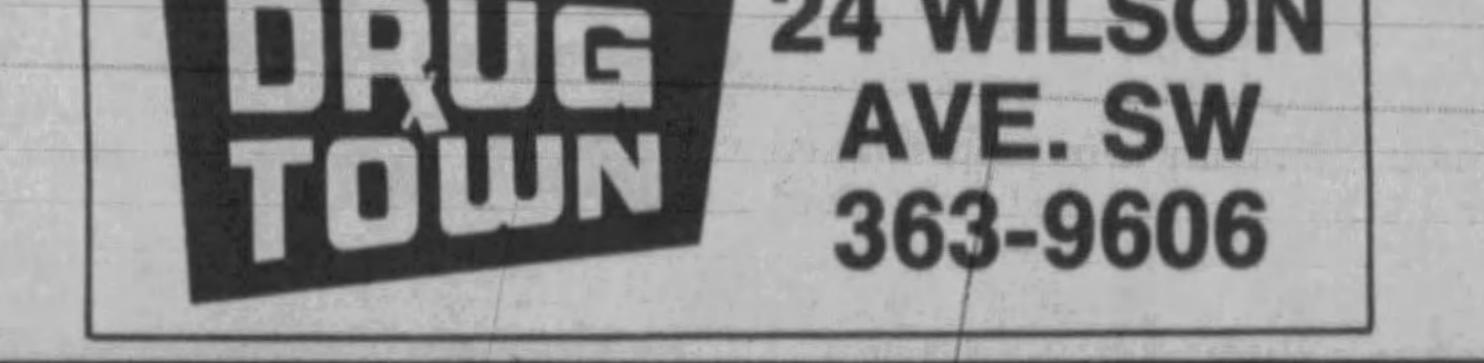


Marion, Alburnett, Hiawatha and Cedar Rapids.

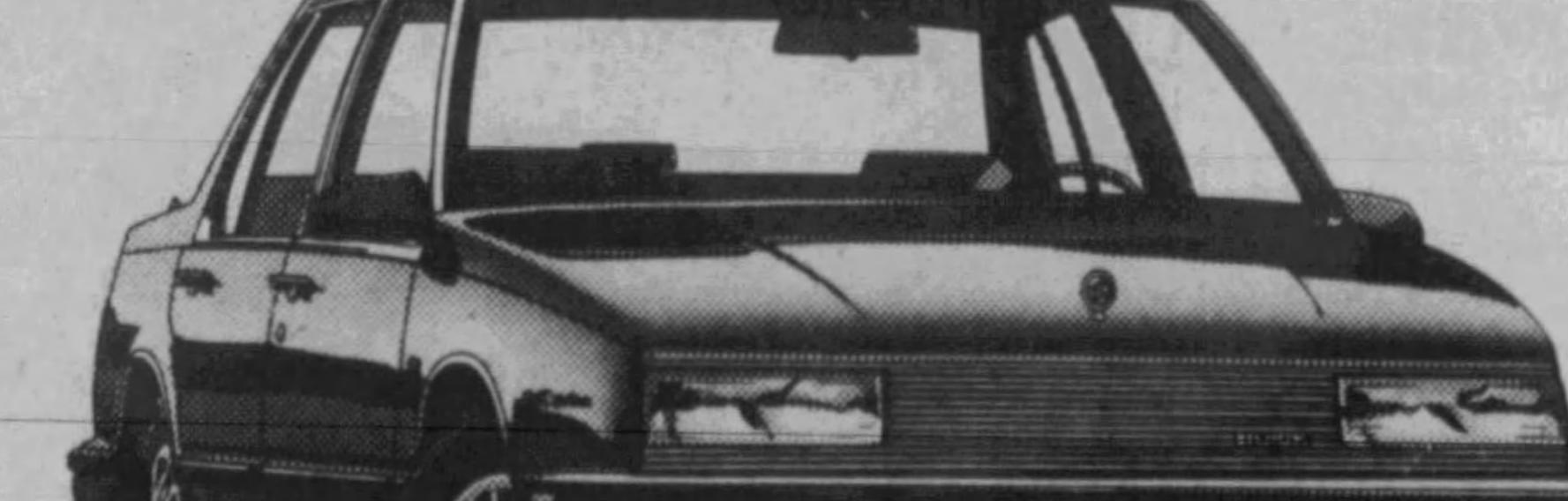


rain limited the Mustangs to loosening-up exercises in the Kearney State Coliseum, a spacious facility housing a 220-yard track.

at 3 p.m.









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