Another Bear to Tell of Bloom Threat | Olympic Boxing Judges Disciplined

By Chris Mortensen Staff Writer

CHICAGO — A second Chicago Bears player is scheduled to testify today that sports agent Lloyd Bloom threatened to have somebody break his legs for reneging on a representation contract.

Ron Morris, a wide receiver for the Bears and formerly of Southern Methodist, will be the government's lead witness when the trial of Bloom and former associate Norby Walters resumes today here in U.S. District Court.

week that Bloom threatened to "have somebody break my legs" when he tried to back out of a contract he signed with the agents shortly after his senior season at Kentucky in 1985.

Through Morris's testimony, U.S. Attorney Anton

Valukas and Assistant U.S. Attorney Howard Pearl are expected to try to make their strongest tie yet between the two agents and organized crime boss Michael Franzese.

Franzese, an imprisoned ex-captain in the New York Colombo crime family, testified last week that he gave Walters \$50,000 seed money for a 25 percent interest in the agents' sports agency business.

Franzese, who has become a federal informant, testified that Walters had his permission to use his reputation as a mob boss to "settle disputes" with Bears free safety Maurice Douglass testified last entertainment and sports clients. Prosecutors are expected to play tape-recorded telephone conversations between Bloom and Morris to an eight-woman, four-man jury that is weighing charges of racketeering, mail fraud, wire fraud and extortion against the

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NAIROBI, Kenya — The International Amateur Boxing Association (AIBA) Sunday levied two-year suspensions against five judges and referees accused of inefficiency and not officiating in accordance with international rules at the 1988 Olympics in Seoul.

The AIBA also suspended for two years five South Korean boxers and officials involved in a brawl during the Games.

Thirteen other officials, also accused of not officiating in accordance with international rules during the Games, were suspended from officiating in the world amateur boxing championships at Moscow in September, AIBA president Anwar Chowdhry of Pakistan said.

The five South Koreans who were suspended attacked New Zealand referee Keith Walker after a Korean lost a 4-1 decision to a Bulgarian.

The 118-member, Berlin-based association also dismissed an appeal by the U.S. Amateur Boxing Federation seeking a reversal of a Seoul Olympic gold medal awarded to South Korean Park Si-Hun in the light middleweight final.

The U.S. Amateur Boxing Federation claimed Moroccan judge Hiduad Larbi, one of those suspended for two years, falsified his scoring, costing Roy Jones the victory.

After the bout, KBS, the Korean television station, was flooded with calls from Koreans saying they were embarrassed by the decision. And before the medals ceremony, Park told Jones that the American should have been the winner.

McCumber's Title Defense Ends in Pain

By Tom McCollister Staff Writer

Mark McCumber's bid to successfully defend his title in the Players Championship ended in a siege of bogeys and a pain in the

McCumber made two bogeys on the first five holes and two on the last five. In between, a catch in his back ended his hopes of catching Tom Kite. "I felt it first on Saturday, then from No. 10 today," he said. "I think I pulled a muscle. But I have no complaints. Tom Kite is a great champion." McCumber shot 74 and finished four behind Kite.

NO SHARK BITE: Greg Norman wasted a chance to get his most significent PGA Tour victory on the Tournament Players Club course's par-5 holes. He played them in only 4-under in four rounds. "That's where I lost the golf tournament,' said Norman, who finished at 6-under 282. "I could [reach] most of them in two, and I didn't take advantage of that. I feel like a car stuck in the mud spinning my wheels. I need a good push to get me going."

THE CRENSHAW JINX: For the second straight year, Ben Crenshaw ran afoul of the 10th hole in his pursuit of the championship. Last year, his bid failed with a double bogey, and Sunday it was a triple bogey. He eagled No. 9 to pull within two of Kite, then drove into the trees on No. 10. He chipped out, hit his third shot into a greenside bunker, left his next shot in the bunker,



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Tom Kite hugs his caddie after winning the Players Championship with a final-round 71 Sunday afternoon.

blasted out and missed a three-foot bogey putt for a seven. Crenshaw finished his round of 76 with a double-bogey on 18.

MISCELLANY: Chip Beck missed seven of nine greens on the front side and made three bogeys and a double-bogey. ... Tim Simpson made the turn in 1-under 35 but dropped out of contention with bogeys at Nos. 10 and 11.... Tom Watson finished under par for the first time this year. His round of 70 included an eagle three on No. 11. . . . Kite is only \$300,000 short of mov-

ing into the No. 1 all-time spot in career earnings. He trails Jack Nicklaus and Watson. . . . Next year, the Players Championship will be held a week earlier, between the Honda Classic and Nestle Invitational. ... Playing conditions were the worst of the week. Eighteen players broke 70 Thursday, eight on Friday, 12 on Saturday and only one Sunday. That was Hal Sutton's 69.

... Toughest hole Sunday was the 440-yard, par-4 18th. It played to an average of 4.342 strokes. Easiest was the downwind 497-yard, par-5 16th, which averaged 4.672.

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Kite Soars to Second Straight Win

Beck Struggles to 41 on Front Nine, Loses 4-Stroke Lead

By Tom McCollister Staff Writer

PONTE VEDRA, Fla. - For those who questioned his worth in winning the Nestle Invitational a week ago, Tom Kite answered with an exclamation point Sunday in the Players Championship.

Last weekend, Kite took advantage of Davis Love III's collapse on the 18th hole and in the playoff. This time, the 39-year-old Texan went out in a gang of 10 within four strokes of leader Chip Beck and shot a 71 to win his second straight tournament.

It was Kite's 12th PGA Tour victory, and the \$243,000 winner's share of the \$1.35 million purse lifted him atop this year's money list with \$561,723 and into third place all-time behind Jack Nicklaus and Tom Watson.

His margin of victory was one over Beck, who came back from a front nine of 41 with a 32 for 73. Bruce Lietzke shot 72 and finished

"There are a lot of different ways to win a golf tournament,' Kite said. "After last week, it's nice to come back and play a good, solid round. Maybe I didn't deserve to win last week when I had the lead, lost it and won because of Davis's misfourtune.

"But I certainly earned this one. I got it to the house under very difficult weather conditions and hav-

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TPC Scoreboard

WINNER		OTHERS	
Kite	-9	Watson	-3
FOLLOWERS		Crenshaw	-3
Beck	-8	Azinger	-2
Lietzke	-7	Stadler	E
Norman	-6	Tway	+1
Couples	-6	Nicklaus	+1
Morgan	-5	Strange.	+2
McCumber	-5	Zoeller	+4
Bean	-4	Knox	+6
Frost	-4	Nelson	+7
Koch	-4	Mize	+9

ing to make good shots over the last four holes to do it."

What promised to be a shootout never developed. Kite took the lead on the second hole and never let it go as, one by one, the other contenders fell prey to the Tournament Players Club course mounds, pot bunkers and swales.

Beck and Greg Norman (72) folded first with bogeys on three of the first five holes. Ben Crenshaw (76) held on for nine holes, then made a triple-bogey at 10. Gil Morgan (73) was only two back after 13 but triple-bogeyed 14. Lietzke had a share of the lead at No. 4 and bogeyed two of the next three holes. Nicklaus never mounted a charge or made a birdie and shot 78.

"It was the kind of day when

you had to battle the elements and yourself," Lietzke said. "Every shot was critical, and Tom was up to it better than anyone else. I used to think he was a conservative player, but not anymore. When he's on, he'll go for the pin like a Lanny Wadkins."

Kite offered evidence at No. 16, a par 5 with water down the right side and behind the green. Leading by two, he faced a second shot of 227 yards to the pin. From there, the safe way would be to lay up, pitch onto the green and putt for a birdie. Instead he took a 4-wood, gripped down on the shaft and swung, hoping to hit a soft, high shot into the middle of the green.

What Kite got was a low, hard shot, and he held his breath as the ball rolled across the green and came perilously close to crawling over the bulkhead and into the water. It stopped a foot short.

Kite's decision to go for it was forced upon him by his own bogey at No. 14 and by Beck, who had birdied 10, 11 and 12. Kite's lead, once five, had shrunk to two. "I gave no thought to laying up.

had a golf tournament to win," Kite said. "With 17 and 18, both difficult holes, I was thinking of building up the lead as much as possible.

Beck made it close with a 20foot birdie putt on the final hole, but Kite tapped in for his par and victory.

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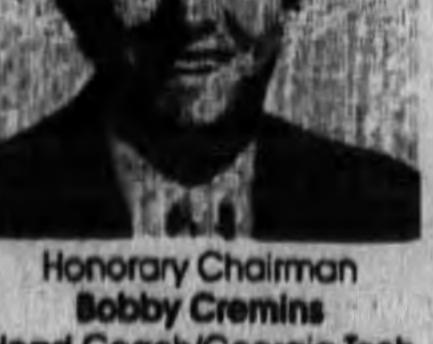
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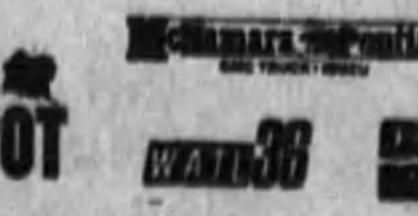
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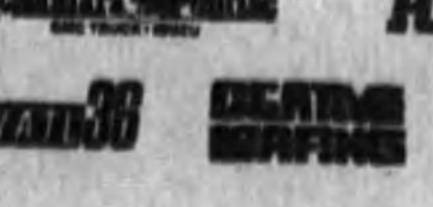
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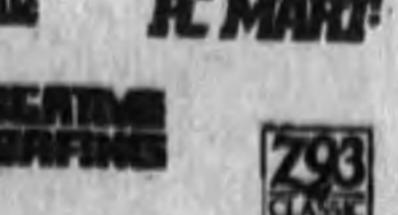


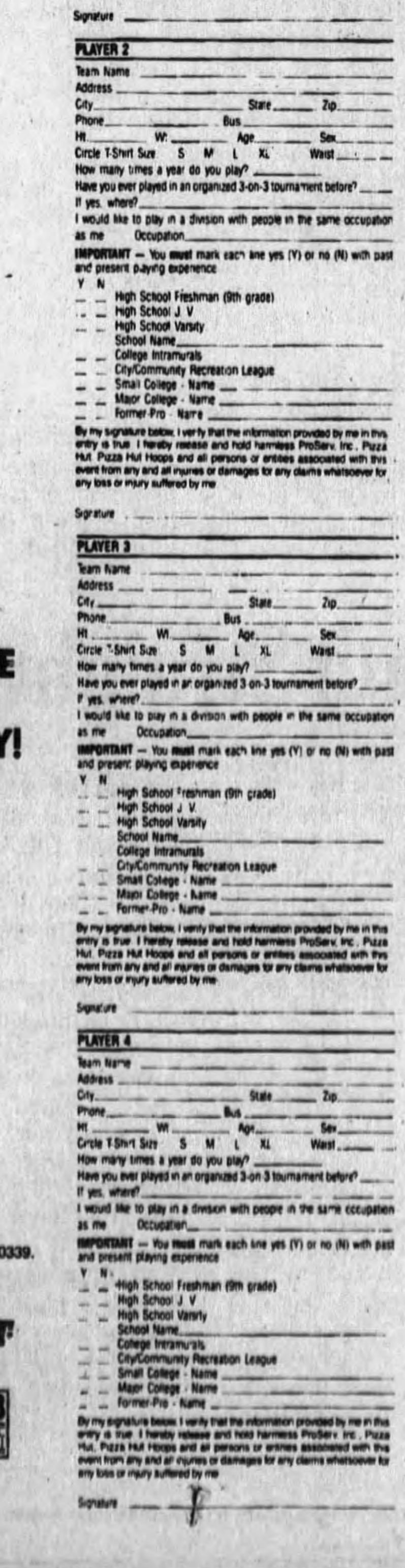












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