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TODAY'S CHUCKLE

There are two kinds of people in the world: those who have dreams of being discovered and those who have nightmares of being found out.

Sports agents found guilty



Lloyd Bloom **Norby Waiters** Facing 25-year sentences, \$1.25 million fines

But jury rejects charge they defrauded the U of I

> From wire services and Gazette staff reports

CHICAGO — A federal court jury Thursday convicted sports agents Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom of defrauding two universities - but not

The U of I athletics board discusses its role, page 1B

the University of Iowa - by using cash to lure college athletes into signing improper contracts.

The agents were also found guilty of threatening harm to clients at other schools if they tried to renege.

The jury deliberated 40 hours over six days before convicting Walters, 58, and Bloom, 29, both based in New York, on charges of racketeering, conspiracy and mail fraud. They each face up to 55 years in prison and fines of up to \$1.25 million.

The defense suggested that athletes attending the universities should have been declared ineligible before they even met Walters and Bloom because of the athletes' academic records and extracurricular actions.

The jury appeared to agree with this argument in the cases of the mail fraud charges involving the University of Iowa and Michigan State.

"I guess we didn't prove beyond a reasonable doubt" that a fraud had been committed on those two schools, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Howard Pearl.

Please turn to 15A: Agents

Emotional Wright defends his ethics

WASHINGTON (AP) — With his position as the nation's highest elected Democrat in jeopardy, House Speaker Jim Wright is that Congress move swiftly mounted an emotional defense and I'm prepared to move very Thursday against serious ethics swiftly - to get distractive matcharges and declared he would ters of this kind behind us so that "fight to the last ounce of conviction and energy that I possess."

In a carefully scripted 30minute counteroffensive delivered to reporters and television cameras, the Texas Democrat sought to rebut point by point the charges being lodged against him by the 10-month, \$1.5 million investigation of his finances.

deposed. As House speaker, bottom yet." Wright stands behind Vice Presisuccession to the White House. Flanked by members of his

leadership team and Texas colleagues, Wright's voice choked with emotion as he defended his wife, Betty, against the charge that her \$18,000-a-year salary from a business partner amounts to an improper gift.

He said his wife was "a good decent, caring, thoroughly honorable person" and he would "damn well fight to protect her honor and integrity from any challenge from any source whatever the cost."

"Whether I'm speaker of the Public Man."

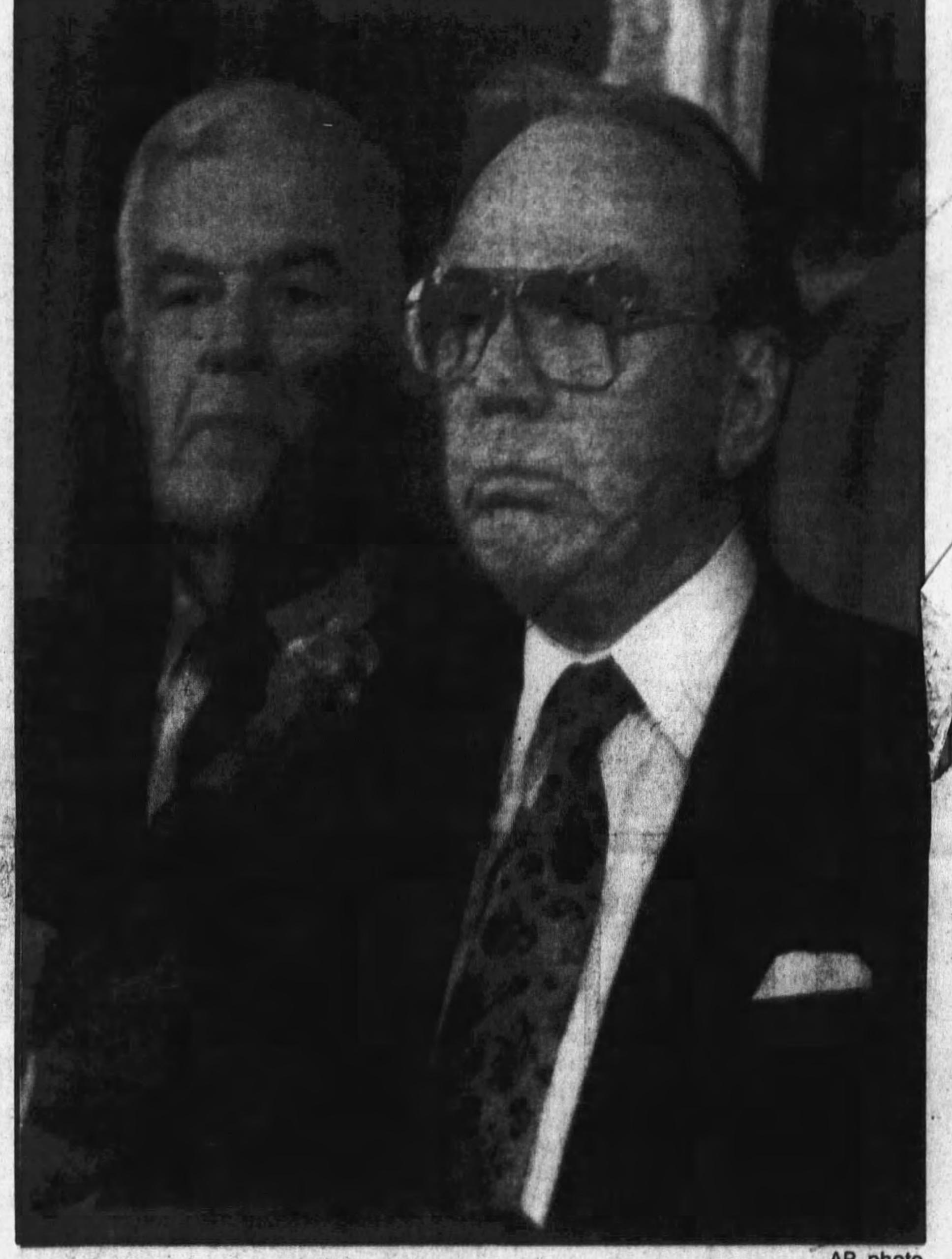
house, which is the greatest honor I've ever had, is not important," Wright said. "What is important we can concentrate on the really important things that affect this country of ours."

He said his reputation "is the most important thing and the only really important thing. For my good name, which is the legacy I intend to leave my children and House ethics committee, which my grandchildren, I will fight to was writing its final report after a the last ounce of conviction and energy that I possess."

Rep. Charles Wilson, who was Wright's supporters called the among the three dozen or so of appearance persuasive, but other the 260 House Democrats to Democrats were agonizing over attend Wright's speech, said the the prospect that their most event "serves to brace everybody visible official might become a up for a good, hard tough fight." political liability and have to be But he added, "We haven't hit

The ethics committee worked dent Dan Quayle in line of late into the evening behind closed doors, and chairman Julian Dixon, D-Calif., said no public announcement of its conclusions was expected until next week.

> But sources familiar with the deliberations said all crucial votes already had been taken and had gone against Wright on the two most serious charges: that he violated House rules by accepting gifts from a business partner with an interest in legislation and that he evaded limits on collecting speaking fees through bulk sales of his book, "Reflections of a



AP photo

House Speaker Jim Wright, with House Majority Leader Tom Foley (left) at his side, chokes back tears Thursday as he denies an allegation that an \$18,000 salary paid to his wife violated ethics rules.

Bill Casey Jr.

1986 photo

Ex-Marion teen slain in Florida woods By Donna Lee Olson

Gazette staff writer

A former Marion teen-ager was found murdered in a Florida woods late Monday, the victim of what's described as both a betrayal of friendship and a vicious execution.

Charged Tuesday in the first-degree murder of 17-year-old Bill Casey Jr., formerly of Marion, were Jason B. Staples, 17, and Joshua A. Walther, 16, two teenagers who Casey called his friends.

Staples, the one accused of pumping bullets into Casey's head and back, had

sometimes visited the Caseys' home in Oldsmar.

"He was Billy's best friend and for a boy who took his friends to heart, it was terrible," Sherry Casey, the stepmother who had helped raise him since he was young, said in a telephone interview Thursday.

Newspaper reports around the Tampa Bay area town earlier indicated the murder may have been influenced by the violent, militaristic "skinhead" movement, something Bill Casey was said to be involved in, or at least pretended to be involved in to be popular.

But Sgt. Sid Hilliard of Pinellas County Sheriff's Department denied the rumors. "The motive was jealousy over (Staples')

girlfriend," Hilliard told The Gazette. "It

had nothing to do with skinheads, KKK,

drugs or any type of cults. "It was purely a vicious, heinous, coldblooded murder," Hilliard said.

THE FIRST hint of trouble came at 10:15 p.m. Monday, Hilliard said, when neighbors in the Oldsmar woods area reported

hearing gunshots. About 12:30 a.m. Tuesday, the Sheriff's

Please turn to 15A: Murder

Congress overwhelmingly OK's new aid to Contras

From Gazette wire services

WASHINGTON — Congress Thursday overwhelmingly approved a compromise \$49.7 million package of non-military aid for the Nicaraguan Contras, giving President Bush a chance to forge a bipartisan policy.

The Senate completed congressional action on the measure, approving the aid package on an 89-9 roll-call vote.

152 Democrats and 157 Republicans. Voting "no" were 99 Democrats and 11 Republicans.

The House earlier endorsed the plan, 309-110. Voting "yes" were

The congressional action represents an effort to declare a truce in the bitter, years-old fight

between the White House and

Congress over aid to the Contras and bring pressure on Nicaragua's leftist Sandinista government to keep its promises to allow free elections and democratic reform.

"This bill tries to set in motion a united, single-voice policy," said House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas. "It ends military involvement and covert efforts to overthrow governments in our hemisphere."

But, he added, "It says to Nicaragua that we are very earnest about you fulfilling these commitments that you made to internal democratization."

The bill would sustain the Contras through February 1990, when Nicaragua is tentatively scheduled to hold elections.

Top suspect in carrier rape telephones C.R. detectives

By Rick Smith Gazette staff writer

Cedar Rapids police detectives have talked by phone to a man they consider their prime suspect in the March 27 rape of a 14-year-old Gazette papergirl.

Assistant Police Chief James Barnes said last week that detectives early on identified as a prime suspect a man with a history of assaults who suspiciously disappeared from town immediately after the rape. But they had been unable to find him.

Earlier this week, the suspect spoke to police via phone from out of state, Barnes confirmed Thursday.

Relatives apparently told the suspect police wanted to talk with him. "He's not going to come in and 'fess up," Barnes noted. "We still got a

long way to go." Barnes said detectives continue to wait for results from lab tests on semen and other samples recovered from the rape victim.

WHILE WAITING, detectives are building a circumstantial case against the prime suspect that will permit them to get court permission to draw body fluids from him that hopefully

compared to the samples Please turn to 14A: Rape

COMING TOMORROW / Murder real, but TV portrayal no imitation

Agents: Trial set off uproar at U of I

From page 1A

Testimony at the trial by former owa football stars Ronnie Harand Devon Mitchell cast an embarrassing light on the academic program at Iowa and triggered a three-week uproar at the universi-

U of I President Hunter Rawlings moved quickly to counter the bad publicity by appointing a committee to stiffen academic requirements for athletes, then said Iowa would bar freshmen from participating in sports in three years.

All that simmered for a few days before Iowa football coach ty. Hayden Fry exploded at a news conference Tuesday. Fry said he was "damn mad" about the publicity and wanted the university to make a positive statement about athletics. Fry even threatened to

Wednesday Rawlings backed off the freshmen issue, saying he would consult with athletic officials and others before such a move would be made. Thursday he met with Fry and Athletic Director Bump Elliott. The latter indicated that most of the wounds had been patched up.

IOWA ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR Fred Mims said he's glad the trial has ended. "The publicity has hurt athletics here at the University of Iowa. We take great pride in the athletic department's image and that has been tarnished. We will have to work to get that image back," Mims said.

Mims said nothing could make up for the damage done by the adverse publicity.

"What can they pay in regards to the damage of our image? Not much," he said. "Once things are printed, you can't do much about t. We have to make the best of it and go on from here."

But Mims said the verdict sends a signal to sports agents that they must act honorably, Mims said.

"What it has done is reinforced things that I say all the time,"

Staples, who was at a pay phone.

Staples contended he and Walther

were worried about Casey and

that they had heard shots fired

and had been fired at themselves.

crime," Hilliard said, adding that

investigators believe the teens

had entered the woods with them.

was savagely beaten and left for

dead after Casey was shot. They

had been lured to the woods by

Staples and Walther with prom-

Later, the 15-year-old, whose

identity is being withheld, awak-

ened next to Casey's body after

the shooting and stumbled out to

Meanwhile, Staples and Walth-

the road and contacted police.

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Staples and Walther.

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representatives in

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Rep. John Doe

Senate Office Building

House Office Building

Washington, D.C. 20515

Washington, D.C. 20510

in the interview.

The fourth boy, a 15-year-old,

"This was a ruse to cover their

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Murder: Teen found in woods

meant to blame a fourth boy who converse with him.

Department received a call from he knew while supervising Starry

enjoyed.

Mims said. "You're under a microscope. Everything can be blown out of proportion. As minute as it may seem, the perception is what is important."

SOME OF THE MOST DAMAG-ING testimony to the government's case came during crossexamination of Harmon, now with the Buffalo Bills, and wide receiver Mark Ingram, previously with Michigan State and now with the New York Giants.

Under questioning by defense attorney Dan Webb, Harmon said he took courses such as billiards and bowling to keep his eligibili-

"Obviously, the jury rejected the idea of some of these schools as being victims," Webb said.

The academic records of Harmon and Mitchell were presented to the jury in detail. U of I officials pointed out vigorously that both men were academically eligible to play at all times.

The defense also introduced evidence indicating that Mark Ingram, a former Michigan State University wide receiver, had been granted a scholarship despite a felony conviction for breaking into the rooms of several students at the school.

BLOOM WAS IN TEARS and Walters looked downcast as the verdicts were read in the courtroom of U.S. District Judge George Marovich, where the trial began last month.

Attorneys for both men promised to appeal the guilty verdicts. "We'll take them in the next round," Walters said. "We'll be vindicated."

U.S. Attorney Anton Valukas called the trial a "war for both sides," but he said there was a message in the verdicts.

"I think the message is that the federal criminal laws apply across the board to the universities, to the athletes and the agents who do business with them."

Marovich set a hearing Thursday on the government's request

Marion Elementary Principal

William Yeisley recalled the boy

Elementary School in Marion.

Yeisley declined to say if Bill had

problems while younger. Instead,

he only spoke of a student he

"I remember Billy," Yeisley

"He was a follower, and he

Bill's aunt, Bonnie Vasquez, of

said. "He was likable. He was like

a little old man and you could

wanted to please and be friendly.

58 West Post Rd. NW, also talked

of a nephew who liked to laugh

for forfeitures of \$250,000 by Walters and \$125,000 by Bloom. Under racketeering laws, the government can seek to recover profits which result from an illegal scheme.

The judge also set sentencing for the week of May 23.

WALTERS AND BLOOM were convicted of conspiring to defraud six schools — Big Ten Conference members Michigan, Michigan State, Iowa and Purdue, as well as national football champion Notre Dame and Temple. But the pair was convicted of actually defrauding only two — Michigan and Purdue.

The jury acquitted Walters and Bloom of mail fraud counts involving Michigan State and Iowa and was not required to decide the facts regarding Notre Dame and Temple because only two fraudulent acts were required to meet the racketeering standard.

In finding the agents guilty under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations statutes, the jury indicated Walters had engaged in a pattern of racketeering involving his association with an organized crime figure, Michael Franzese.

The trial featured testimony from a diverse group. Included were a handful of professional athletes; entertainer Dionne Warwick; Franzese, whose reputation Walters and Bloom used to keep clients in line; and Bo Schembechler, the crusty Michigan football coach and athletic director who expressed outrage at the fraud he felt had been perpetrated on his

In a novel application of rackeeering laws, the government charged the two sports agents defrauded six universities by signing student-athletes to representation contracts that violated NCAA eligibility rules, then post-dating the contracts and concealing their existence.

Prosecutors contended such arrangements effectively denied the schools their right to control

and have fun. Last night she was

getting ready to fly to the funeral.

she thought of Billy.

to outgrow them.

the case.

HONDA

At first she started crying when

"He had some problems," Vas-

"I hope those 17-year-olds get

If the Florida court rules that

and if they are found guilty, they

may face death in a state which

allows capital punishment, ac-

cording to Hilliard, spokesman for

the electric chair for what they

quez said. "But he wasn't allowed

athletic scholarships. Representatives of several schools testified they would have terminated the scholarships of the athletes who signed with Walters and Bloom if they had learned of the signings.

DEFENSE ATTORNEYS had hoped to put college sports on trial, revealing a system rife with athletes who took questionable academic course loads to remain eligible and administrators who overlooked a variety of infractions to keep revenue-generating football teams on the field.

Defense attorneys also portrayed the athletes themselves as "double dealers" who "ripped off" Walters and Bloom by signing

with other agents and planned to cheat the New York duo out of commissions when they signed with professional football teams.

In one of the guilty verdicts, Walters was convicted of using Franzese to threaten the manager of the Jackson Five pop music group to keep Walters on as the group's booking agent before a 1981 tour.

In another, Bloom was found guilty of defrauding All-America running back Paul Palmer, then of Temple University and now with the Kansas City Chiefs, of \$145,-000 in a phony investment scheme.

Some of the more dramatic testimony came from NFL players

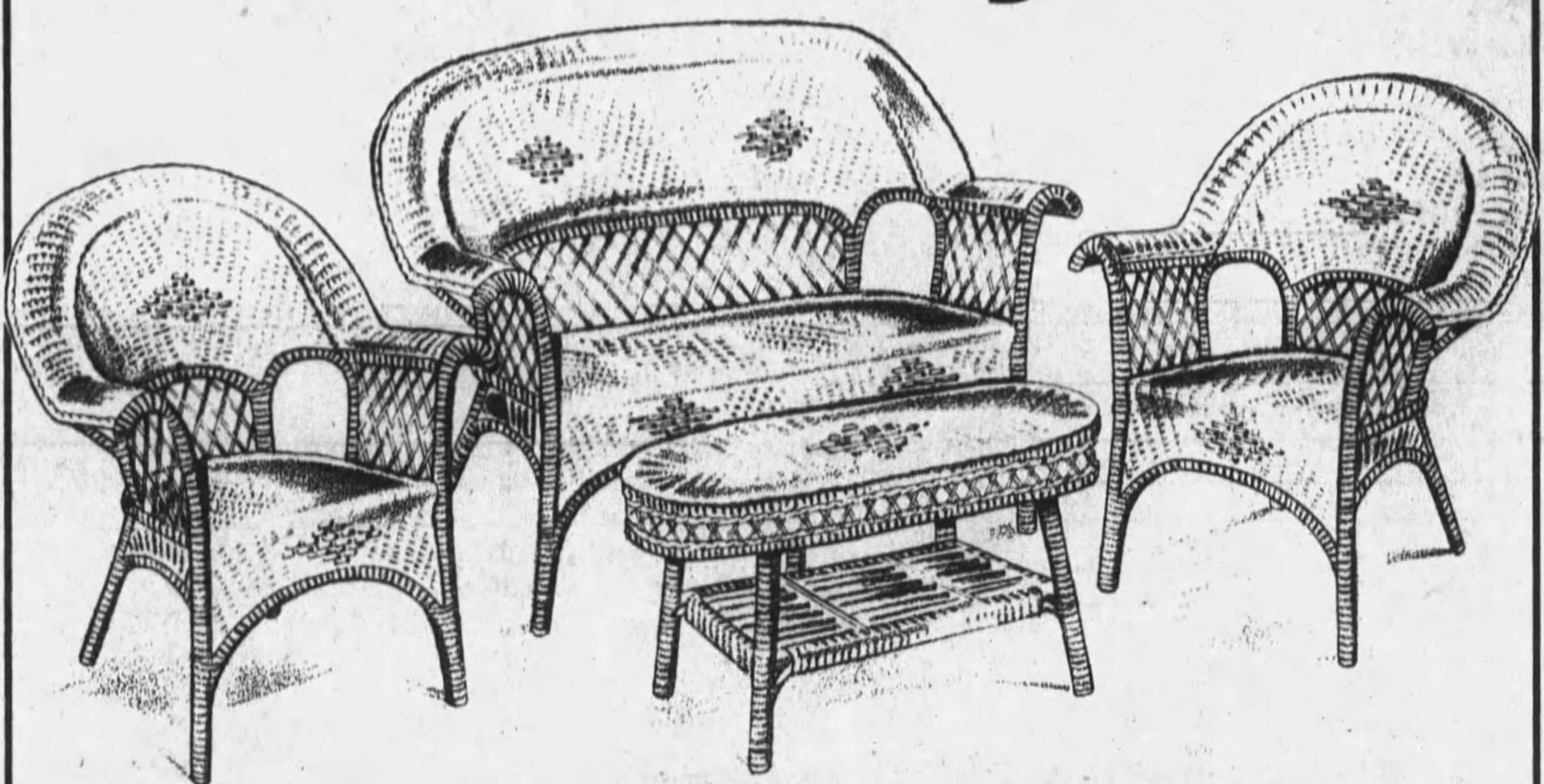
Everett Gay and Maurice Doug-

Gay, who now plays with the Detroit Lions, testified that Bloom threatened to have someone break his legs when he first talked about terminating his contract with the

Douglass, who now plays with the Chicago Bears, told the court that he had signed with Walters and Bloom while at Kentucky, accepted cash and cars from the duo and then told them he had

signed with another agent. Bloom threatened to have "somebody rough me up," Douglass said, unless he returned the money the agents had laid out for

Anniversary Sale



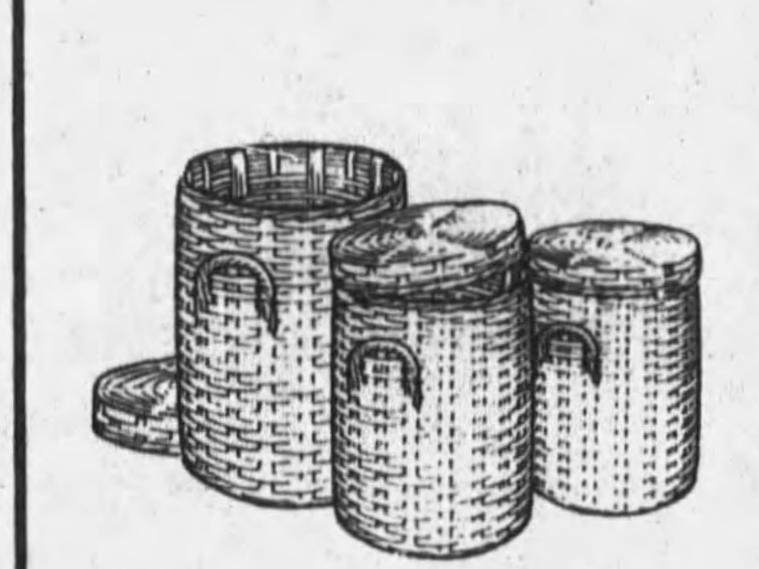
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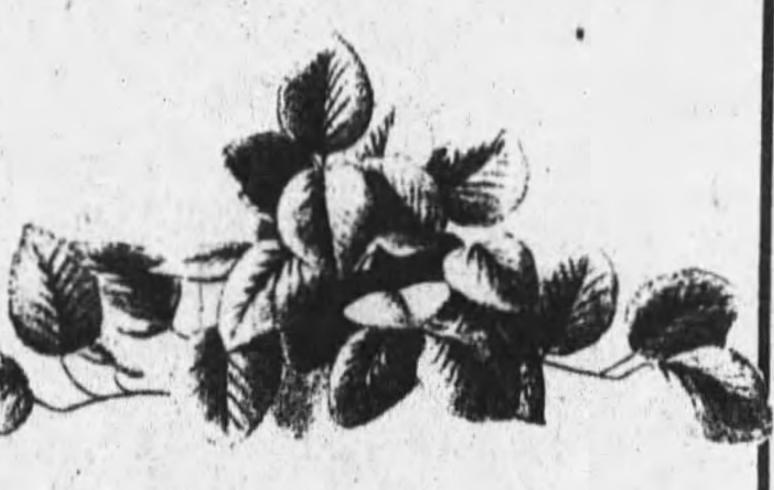
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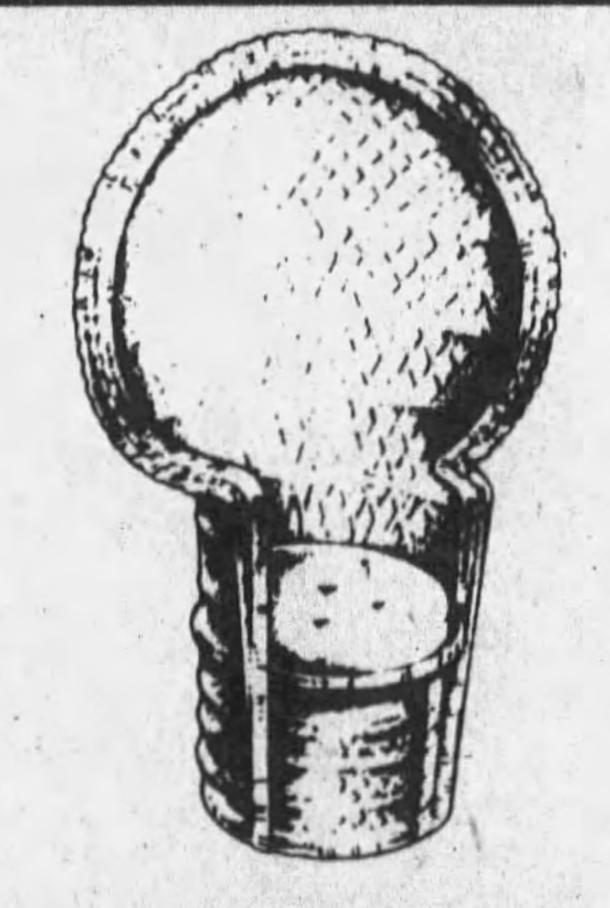
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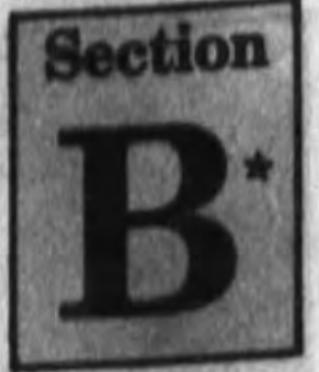
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Financial

Farm Markets







Stars rise in all eras

ow many television commercials do you enjoy seeing time after time?

Darn few, right? But I find a current advertisement hard to resist. It's for a beer brand, and features Frank Sinatra singing "Just the Way You Look To-

Snappy song, nice * arrangement, great vocalist.

Telling you Sinatra is a superb singer is saying something that has been noted a million times. But he's not from my generation. Still, the works of a Sinatra, Tony Bennett or Ella Fitzgerald are available for all age groups to enjoy.

So, for that matter, are the products of the great composers of this century, like George Gershwin and Duke Ellington. And you can admire the efforts of other artists from this century, like Flannery O'Connor, Orson Welles and Pablo Picasso.

Sports, however, seem to be a different matter. I'm not sure it's possible for someone like myself, who is a year older than Orel Hershiser and Wade Boggs, to fully appreciate athletes from bygone eras.

When we're too young to have experienced the magic of certain athletes from the past, all we really have to know them by are film clips or other peoples' accounts. It's not the same as seeing the comedy of W.C. Fields or reading John Steinbeck. Those things are timeless. To get the full impact of sports, you need to see them live, to witness them in their time context.

The 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team's championship already seems like it happened lifetimes ago when viewed on videotape.

What prompted all this musing was Wednesday's death of Sugar Ray Robinson. Without question, Robinson was one of the very best boxers in American history. But tens of millions of Americans know little about his career simply because they're too young. Many might have believed the nickname "Sugar Ray" originated with Ray Leonard, when it was Leonard who paid Robinson a compliment by adding the "Sug-

It's widely believed that today's athletes are better in all aspects. As a whole, this is very possible. But greatness and blossoming legends pass through all eras.

I'm sorry I never got to see Joe DiMaggio roam center field with a grace all his own. I'm sorry I never got to see Bill Russell go head to head with Wilt Chamberlain. I'm sorry I didn't get to see Ted Williams, or young Cassius Clay, or Arnold Palmer in his prime, or the Iowa football teams of Forest Evashevski.

I'm sorry I never saw Sugar Ray Robinson. Just looking at his career record in our Thursday Fine Print section was amazing.

Robinson fought professionally from 1940 to 1965 with two years of retirement in the early 1950s. He had 202 bouts. Mike Tyson probably won't come close to 202 rounds when his career's over.

Sugar Ray won 175 times, 110 by knockout. He was the world welterweight champion four times. He grew up in Harlem and headlined in London, Paris, Brussels, Zurich, Berlin and Rome.

From what I've been able to gather, Robinson was also a very smart, charismatic man. Unlike most boxers, he not only hung on to most of the money he earned from his bouts, but was a shrewd financier.

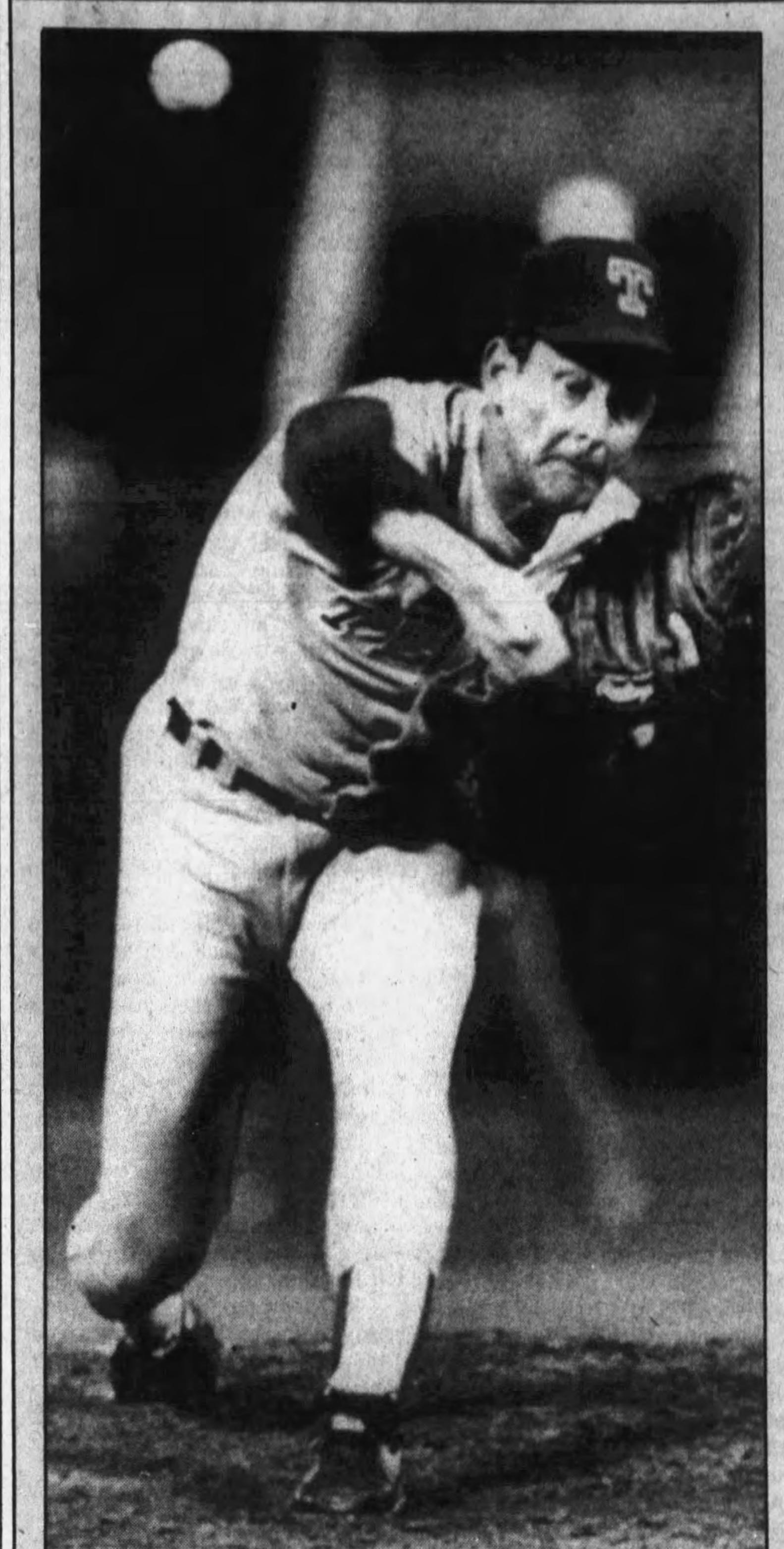
He also supported many charities, including the Sugar Ray Robinson Youth Foundation in Los Angeles.

Today our most famous active boxer is Tyson, a man who roughs up parking lot attendants, smashes cars at will, and gives the appearance of a rich young man who is aimlessly drifting through life.

Then you have Leonard, an affable enough fellow but a blatantly money-hungry fighter who retires every other month and meticulously picks his spots to perform.

Robinson wasn't without warts. After all, he traveled with a hairdresser, valet and golf pro. But he didn't duck anyone and

was a fighting champion. For a boxer, that might be the ultimate tribute.



AP photo

Nolan Ryan of the Texas Rangers fanned 15 and allowed no hits until the eighth inning in an 8-1 win over Milwaukee Wednesday night in another no-hit bid by the seemingly ageless 42-year-old.

Ryan still guns em down at 42

ILWAUKEE (AP) — At age 42, Nolan Ryan could be working his cattle ranch in Texas instead of working over big league hitters as he has done the past 21

But pitching is more profitable, especially when neither you nor your fastball show signs of slowing down.

Even at that, there seems little left to accomplish — save another World Series championship — for the newest member of the Texas Rangers, whose biography and accompanying records occupy 10 pages in the press guide. Ryan holds 41 major league records, including most career strikeouts. He's thrown five no-hitters.

Who can top that? Maybe Ryan himself as he nearly did Wednesday night against the Milwaukee Brewers when he lost a bid for a sixth no-hitter in the eighth inning.

But he got his first victory of the season and his ability to still dominate a game was evident from start to finish as he overpowered the Brewers with his 90 mph fastball and teased them with his changeup. He gave up only one hit in his eight innings, walking two and striking out a club-record 15,

including six straight. "I would like to throw another no-hitter," said Ryan, who has gone nearly eight years between hitless masterpieces. "But my attitude about it is if it happens, that's fine. That's not something you can work towards. My attitude is that last year I lost one in the ninth so I don't start anticipating those

things. The main thing is to win the game." He is still working to relearn the hitters in the American League, at least the ones still around from his last days with the California Angels in 1979 before he joined the Houston Astros.

The hitters must also learn Ryan. Some already know. Terry Francona knew Ryan from his playing days in the National League, and he broke up the no-hit bid Wednesday night with an eighth-inning single.

"What's so impressive about him is when I faced him in 1981, '82 and '83, he threw a hard fastball and breaking balls. Now he's throwing changeups or whatever. I'd give him more credit except we have to face him next weekend. Heck, he's

Nolan Ryan," Francona said. With 4,798 career strikeouts, Ryan is an unassuming millionaire. He signed a \$1.8 million contract as a free agent with the Rangers during the offseason.

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U OF I ATHLETICS

Elliott will see crisis through in lowa City

A.D., Fry meet with Rawlings

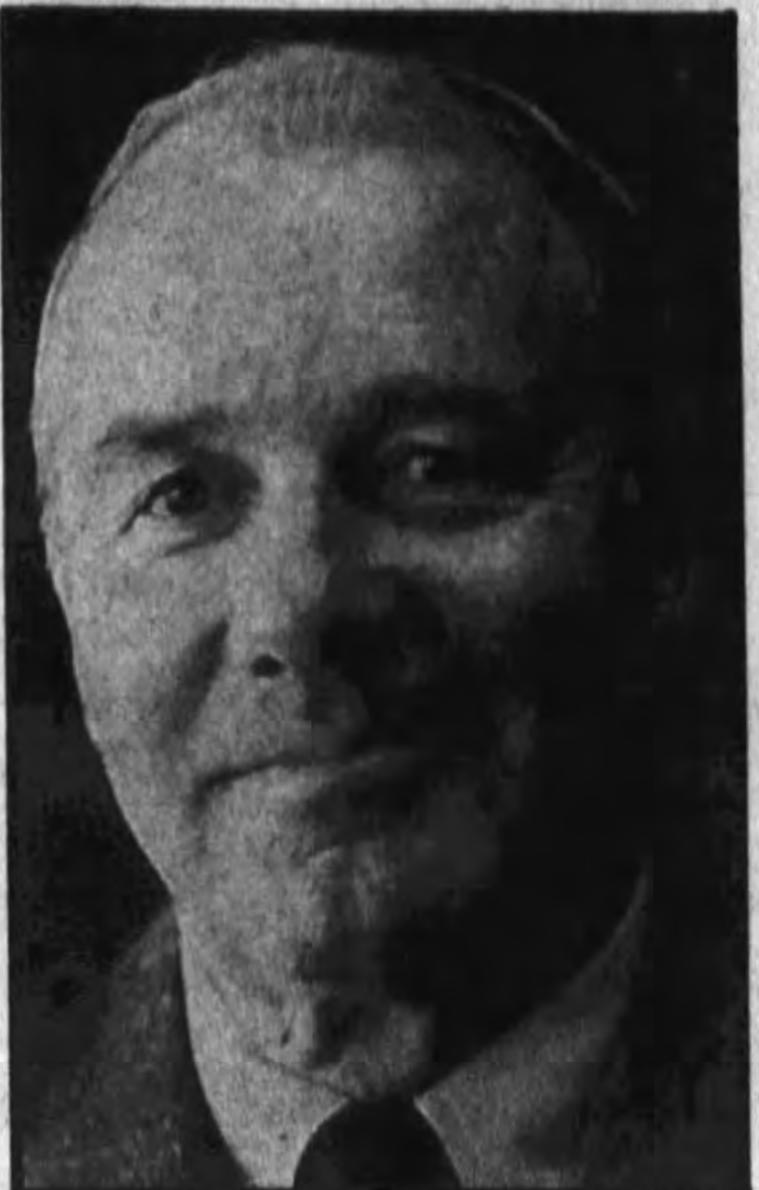
> By Jim Ecker Gazette sportswriter

IOWA CITY — Bump Elliott, the 64-year-old athletic director at the University of Iowa, said Thursday he has no intention of retiring because of the controversy plaguing the athletic department the past month.

"This is not the time to resign," Elliott told The Gazette in an interview. "This is the time for me to be here."

Elliott also said Thursday he and football coach Hayden Fry had an "excellent" meeting with U of I President Hunter Rawlings about events of recent days.

Later Thursday, Elliot met with the Board in Control of Athletics. He told members of the board he and Fry had met with Rawlings



Bump Elliott

earlier in the day. "We had an excellent meeting and have a fine Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom, understanding of the situation,"

he said. "That's it. We have met. I feel confident things are going

After the meeting, he told reporters he'd like to think the "normalcy" Fry was talking about recently has returned. "We'll work with the president, and he'll work with us in every way," he

Elliott has been athletic director since 1970. He mentioned 70 as the normal age for people to consider retiring but indicated he's given it little thought.

"I'm going to stay here and do everything I can to make sure the program stays as strong as it has been and will be in the future," he said. "I'm not about to resign."

The athletic department has been under fire since former football players Ronnie Harmon and Devon Mitchell testified last month at the trial of sports agents

Please turn to 5B: Elliott

Board raises questions but then issues praises

By Dale Kueter Gazette staff writer

IOWA CITY — After mulling its role in the academics-athletics tiff at the school, the University of Iowa Board in Control of Athletics, Thursday night approved a statement praising the athletic department and university president Hunter Rawlings.

A special meeting was called at Carver-Hawkeye offices to air objections of some members at not being consulted by Rawlings or involved enough in U of recommendations that grew out of the Ronnie Harmon-Devon Mitchell testimony in Chicago.

Indeed, law professor Gregory Williams suggested the university had reacted in crisis management style. "What's the role of the board in control, or are we just going to have one member on a special committee?" Dr. Annette Fitz, board chair-

woman, served on university President Hunter Rawlings' special committee that drew up 11 recommendations for improving academics. Rawlings ordered all the recommendations - including one that will require athletes to take 14 rather than 12 semester hours of study - be implement-

Three other board members raised questions about how Rawlings handled the matter, but in the end the board issued a statement praising everyone in the athletic department, and said it stands "firmly behind" Rawlings' call for national reform in intercollegiate athletics.

A paragraph blasting the media for its coverage of the controversy was removed from the statement.

Fitz pointed out that much of what was in the special committee's report for strengthening academics had been the result of previous groundwork by the aca-Please turn to 5B: Board

Ex-Sooners to be tried

in rape case NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Three former Oklahoma football players were ordered Thursday to stand trial on charges of first-degree rape in an alleged gang assault in January at the Oklahoma athletic dormitory.

Special District Judge Gary Purcell ordered Nigel Clay, Glen Bell and Bernard Hall to appear for formal arraignment next Wednesday.

Purcell issued his ruling at the conclusion of a four-day preliminary hearing in Cleveland County District Court.

In addition, Purcell ordered Hall and Clay to stand trial on charges of furnishing liquor to a

Fred Shaeffer, attorney for Hall, said he would ask a district court judge to dismiss both charges against his client.

Shaeffer said he was extremely pleased with the outcome of the preliminary hearing because "the only damaging testimony came from Jimmy Fennell and we don't think that testimony was believea-

Fennell, a former player, testified that he saw Hall, Clay and Bell have intercourse with the 20year-old Oklahoma City woman.

Rose check traced to convicted bookie

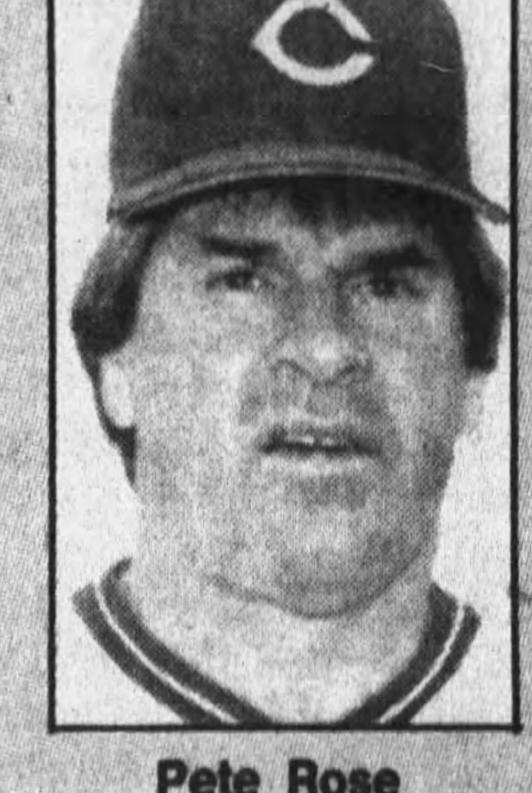
OSTON (AP) — A bank check from Pete Rose to a man later convicted of bookmaking was found during a 1984 gambling raid in Bristol County, The Boston Herald and The Providence (R.I.) Journal-Bulletin reported Thursday.

The papers, citing unidentified sources, said Rose bet with Joseph Cambra of Somerset, Mass., and gave him his 1975 World Series championship ring as payment for a gambling debt.

The Journal-Bulletin also said the alleged bookmaker had stayed with the Reds at a Florida hotel during spring training this year and received the team rate. Bristol County District Attorney

Ronald A. Pina has agreed to turn over evidence about betting to the baseball commissioner's office, which is investigating allegations Rose bet on baseball games, Pina's spokesman Jim Martin was quoted as telling the Herald.

"Among the information we have . . is that, in fact, Pete Rose turned



Pete Rose

over his 1975 World Championship baseball ring . . . to this individual in Somerset," the Herald quoted Pina as saying. The Herald and Journal-Bulletin said they were told Cambra was convicted on bookmaking charges following the 1984 raid. Martin would not confirm that.

Rose, the manager of the Cincinnati Reds, faces a one-year suspension from baseball if found to have bet on baseball games. If found to have bet on games involving the Reds, he would be suspended for life.

Cambra declined to discuss how he and Rose met, the Journal-Bulletin reported. "That's my business," he told reporters who confronted him outside his home Wednesday, the newspaper said.

Reds southpaw sews up win with sewn-up arm

By Mike Koolbeck Gazette sportswriter

Steve McCarthy figures he's just lucky to have a second chance to be doing what he wants to — playing professional baseball. And for the second time in as many

outings, McCarthy — a southpaw reliever

for the Cedar Rapids Reds — did what he's paid to do — win a ballgame. McCarthy hurled two perfect innings in relief of starter Bill Risley as the Reds edged the Quad City Angels, 3-1, in a

Midwest League game played before 309 fans Thursday night at Memorial Stadium. It was Cedar Rapids' third straight win over Quad City (1-3). The Reds (3-1) open a four-game series tonight at Burlington (2-

Scott Sellner's two-out single off Larry Pardo in the bottom of the seventh broke a scoreless tie.

"I was looking for a ball out over the

plate and that just happened to be where he threw it," said Sellner, who tagged Pardo's 1-2 slider back up the middle, driving home Jeff Branson from second base.

One inning later, Branson rattled a twoout run-scoring double off the left-center field wall. Branson also scored when Kevin Flora's relay throw home bounded away from catcher Larry Gonazales and no one covered the plate, making the score 3-0.

Quad City rattled Reds reliever Steve Foster for four hits in the ninth. He was bailed out by some questionable Angels baserunning — Foster picked off one runner and the final out of the game was made when Branson's relay cut down Jim Aylward at third base.

Risley and Quad City's Glenn Carter, a pair of Illinois junior college products, linked up in a pitching duel through the

first six innings. Carter, parent California's No. 3 draft choice last June out of Triton Junior When you get injured and you never know whether you'll pitch again, it really makes you appreciate (playing). 99

Reds pitcher Steve McCarthy

College, was touched for two hits in 51/3 innings. He walked five and struck out

Risley, a flame-throwing righthander, allowed two hits and fanned eight, before giving way to McCarthy to start the seventh.

"Risley threw outstanding, and I thought Steve McCarthy threw outstanding, too," said Cedar Rapids Manager Dave Miley. "(McCarthy has) been in the right place at the right time. He's done the job."

"I just got lucky we got some runs when I

was in there," said McCarthy, who underwent arthroscopic surgery for a torn ligament and cartilage in the front of his pitching shoulder last October.

McCarthy appeared in 10 games last season at Billings, but pitched only 16% innings.

"I hurt it the first night I pitched there," said McCarthy, who posted a 6.48 ERA and was 0-1. "We didn't know what happened and thought it was just a strain. I took a month off and tried to pitch again, but it was still bothering me."

McCarthy flew home to Boston and was operated on by Red Sox team physician Arthur Pappas.

"It feels good now. There's no problems," he said.

"When you get injured and you never know whether you'll pitch again, it really makes you appreciate (playing)," said McCarthy, who graduated from Brown

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UNI expects to find no woes in its probe

Gazette Johnson County bureau IOWA CITY — Officials at the University of Northern Iowa expect to find no serious problems during an internal investigation of academics and athletics there, **UNI President Constantine Curris**

The UNI committee was appointed by James Martin, vice president and provost, and John Conner, vice president for administration and finance, to make sure UNI is keeping a desired focus on academics among its intercollegiate athletes, Curris

The investigation was ordered after the academic program at the University of Iowa came under recent criticism during the fraud trial of sports agents Norby Walters and Lloyd Bloom.

"Given the concerns that have been expressed in the paper, l think Jim and John felt we would be somewhat negligent if we did not, at this time, ask a committee of faculty and staff to look to see if there are any problems," Curris said in an interview while in Iowa City for a State Board of Regents meeting.

"We do not anticipate any particular problems. We are not aware of any problems."

Curris said UNI is in a different situation than the U of I or Iowa State because the Panthers compete at the lower I-AA level football, rather than the top I-A

level at which Iowa and Iowa State compete. That means fewer scholarships and coaches and less national attention.

"We are not big-time athletics. And the emphasis on entertainment and outside support is nowhere near as significant at Idouble-A institutions as it is at I-A. Of course, that's one of the advantages of being I-double-A," Curris said.

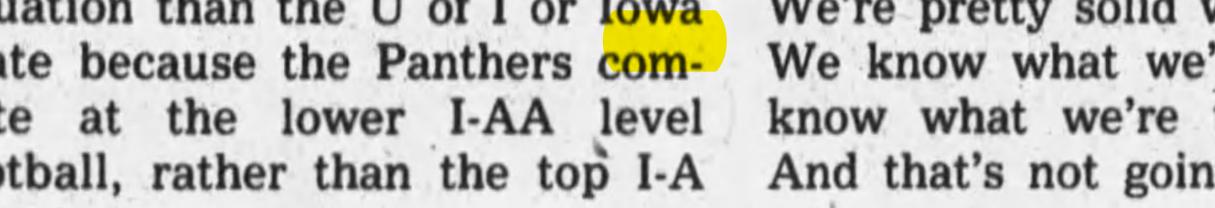
"Our educational philosophy has always been viewing studentathletes first as students, secondly as athletes, and viewing our coaching staff first as teachers and secondly as coaches."

While UNI basketball began competing in the 1980s at the Division I level, at which the U of I and ISU compete. Iowa and Iowa State have been Division I for years, they belong to more established conferences and get more attention than the UNI team.

However, a win over Iowa or Iowa State and an appearance in the NCAA tournament could change that.

"I think we stand a good chance to win," Curris said. "We should have a good team next year if all goes well.

"But success in athletics is not going to change our philosophy. We're pretty solid where we are. We know what we're doing. We know what we're trying to do. And that's not going to change."



Board: Raises then praises

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demic achievement committee of the board in control.

Professor Nancy Hauserman said it was question of procedure. She said while the board in control had previously recommended athletes carry 14 hours of study, now it's a requirement. "And that affects people."

"Under the Big Ten rules, we're required to have a faculty board" to oversee athletics, said Hauserman. "This report raises the issue of what that means. What's the purpose of the board?"

Bonnie Slatton, faculty representative to the Big Ten, said she was concerned, too, with the matter of "faculty governance." She said she sees the report by Rawlings' special committee "as a working document. If it's anything other than that, then there are serious questions about the role of this body."

"I would be very concerned if this is written in stone, and if this board has no policy-making role," said Slatton.

Professor Robert Kelley, who heads a committee working on a long-range strategic planning document, said he doesn't feel bound by the Rawlings commit-

"We discussed (whether) we felt pre-empted by the president, and we decided we hadn't been."

Rod Caughron, a student representative, said student athletes feel the matter was handled badly. "The media reacted, so then we had to react. The president came out with rules and regulations, and then says, 'Let's consult.' "

Caughron said some athletes feel the degrees they will receive from the university have been diminished. "Some are worried if they will get a job." But Fitz said she doesn't believe anyone's degree will be lessened by the controversy.

In discussing the statement praising the school's athletes and athletic program, Professor Arnold Small said he is concerned about serving as a cheerleader. "We go to great lengths to show we are not an arm of the athletic department." He said the statement "may be misunderstood."

Professor Robert Engel said the board's purpose is to "neither applaud nor condemn. But when we have successes, we should say



AP photo

Blasting to lead

Payne Stewart blasts from a sand trap en route to a 65 and the firstround lead Thursday in the Heritage Classic at Hilton Head, S.C.

Win in nightcap earns split for Mount Mercy

By Bob Hilton Gazette sportswriter

What the coaches said was no more important than the time they took saying it during the second game of Mount Mercy's softball twin-bill with top-ranked

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

defending NCAA Division III champion Central Thursday at Ellis Park.

The length of the game helped a cy's first batter. makeshift lineup of Mustangs win it, 5-4, after Central took the "quickie" opener, 1-0, on Diane Pitz's seventh-inning single.

Senior second baseman Jenny Ockenfels had to go to a business law class after the first game.

Nearly two hours later, and about 45 minutes after the game would normally have ended, Ockenfels returned to find her team trailing, 4-2, in the top of the seventh.

With one out in the last of the seventh, Kendy Dettbarn -Mount Mercy's No. 9 batter delivered her third hit in as many trips, and Mustangs Coach Bob Timmons called on Ockenfels to pinch hit.

Ockenfels ripped a single to

Bev Klein followed with an opposite-field RBI single off the first base bag. Freshman Kim Hutchins, who had walked twice and been hit by a pitch, then drew her second intentional pass.

Ockenfels scored the tying run for a force at second on Michelle Ratchford's humpback liner to shallow center.

That left the sacks loaded for freshman pitcher Tracie Helle, and she hammered her third straight hit off the third base bag

to end the game. Mount Mercy takes a 23-3 record into the Grand View Tournament this weekend. Central is ing blunders. 20-4 going into the St. Ambrose Tournament.

Mary Goad has been out all week talk about."

with the flu, and third baseman Sherry Zieser has a wrist injury that won't allow her to hit.

So the Mustangs went into Thursday's nightcap with a fivefreshmen lineup that had pitcher Kathy Lammers and shortstop Kim Girkin playing second and first, respectively.

Lammers and Girkin are frosh. The coaches' numerous confabs began with Timmons winning a "mind game" after Central frosh Jamie Mahnke fanned Mount Mer-

Mahnke was 8-0 and hadn't allowed an earned run.

Timmons argued that she was "crow-hopping" - an illegal delivery. Central counterpart George Wares insisted she wasn't.

Wares lost the debate, Mahnke altered her delivery, and Klein belted her next pitch to leftcenter, then stole second and scored on Ratchford's groundout.

Dettbarn led off the Mount Mercy third with a bunt single, Lammers sacrificed, Central failed to nail Dettbarn at third on Klein's grounder to short, and Dettbarn made it 2-0 when Ratchford's high pop dropped behind short.

The Dutch evened the score on two Mount Mercy errors in the fifth, and went two runs up on the Mustangs' third miscue — a fourbaser — in the sixth.

Central left runners at second and third in the first and third. In the first game, Dettbarn's single was the only hit off Central veteran Brenda Vigness.

Dawn Cooksley limited the while Central tried unsuccessfuly Dutch to four, but began the fatal seventh with her fifth walk. A wild pitch and a sacrifice set up Pitz's winning hit.

"I'm very pleased, with the lineup we had," Timmons said. "We didn't play well, but we didn't give up."

However, Timmons wasn't so pleased that he overlooked the Mustangs' base-running and field-

"We weren't going to practice (Friday)," he said, "but we are Mount Mercy first baseman now. We've got a few things to

Elliott: It's no time to quit

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who were found guilty by a jury in Chicago Thursday.

Elliott said he appreciated Wednesday's developments concerning Iowa President Hunter Rawlings and football coach Hayden Fry.

Rawlings modified his controversial stance on freshman eligibility and promised to consult others before taking action that would affect Iowa's successful programs. Fry said he was encouraged by Rawlings' remarks.

"And I'm encouraged by both remarks," said Elliott. "Very much so. I think the president made a significant statement when he suggested he would consult with the appropriate people before taking any unilateral action.

"I appreciate that very, very much, and I think the whole staff and everybody else does."

Fry, swim coach Glenn Patton and baseball coach Duane Banks have said they might look for other jobs if Rawlings declared freshmen ineligible at Iowa. But Elliott said he doesn't know of any coaches who plan to quit.

"Most of the coaches have been just watching and waiting and listening, which is the thing to do," he said.

"To a great degree the fact that we will have a say in what does happen is very important. It should carry a lot of consideration with any coach in whatever he's doing. Our objective now, as the president says, is to pull together in one direction."

Ryan: Still mowin' 'em down

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"I don't make any predictions. I've been blessed with a good arm and body and I think the fact I've concentrated on proper mechanics and my conditioning routine is paying dividends," he said.

"But I can't say I've done something different than other pitchers."

Except strike out nearly 5,000 batters in a career that began with the New York Mets back in 1968.

"I've probably surpassed my expectations by 10 years," Ryan said. "I don't have any way of gaugeing how long I'll continue to

pitch. At the end of the season, I'll evaluate how things went and how feel physically and what the club's attitude is. Then I'll make a determination from there."

Ryan didn't feel loose Wednesday night before taking the mound at County Stadium and then he turned it loose in his eight-inning

"I never think about a nohitter," he said of his near miss. "You're always disappointed when you get that close. As many times as I've been in that situation, you have be realistic and know not to get caught up in it. The last six outs are always the toughest."

Nebraska takes early gym lead

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - Defending champion Nebraska rallied in its last two events, including a 9.8 score for Patrick Kirksey on the pommel horse final, to lead the three team qualifiers after Thursday's preliminary round of the NCAA men's gymnastics

meet. The seventh-ranked Cornhuskers, who will go after their seventh gymnastics tchampionship since 1979, totaled 283.60 points to 283.35 for sixth-ranked Minnesota and 282.95 for thirdranked Illinois.

Those three teams go head-tohead beginning at 7 p.m. today for the NCAA championship at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

Finishing fourth was secondranked UCLA with 282.50 and fifth was top-ranked Houston Baptist with 281.30.

Outbursts pace Eagle sweep

nine- and six-run innings brought Kirkwood a 15-6 and 8-0 softball sweep of Muscatine Thursday.

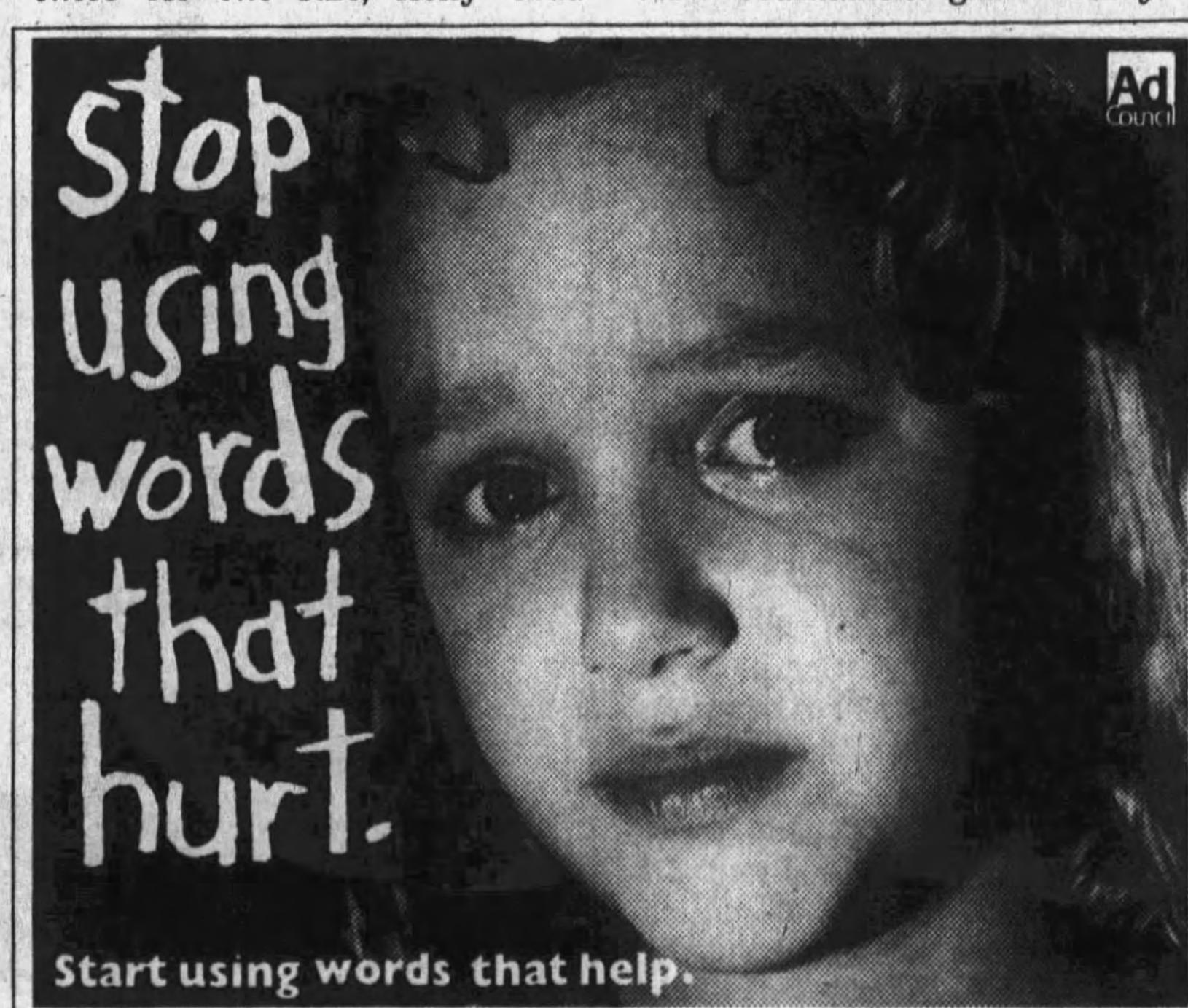
Freshman Tracy Berg (6-4) was the winner in the six-inning opener. She held the Muskies to five hits and struck out five, but issued six walks.

Lora Clemens hit a solo homer, a two-run double and a two-run single. Lynette Zinkula doubled twice for twi RBI, Kelly Grau

singled twice for two RBI, and Lori Oujiri was 2-for-4.

The Eagles staked soph Marcy Cavanagh (5-3) 6-0 first-inning lead, and she responded with a one-hitter. She was also 3-for-3 with two RBI. Jenny Crow and Wanda Simon had two hits and two RBI, Zinkula two hits.

Kirkwood (11-7) attempts to avenge a pair of losses to Illinois Central in its first-round Grand View Tournament game Friday.



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