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Any talk of 'Bash and Dash Dynasty' is balderdash

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. - And now the talk turns to - what else? -

dynasties. It's a simple progression. When you

reach first base, you try for second. When the Oakland Athletics sweep the San Francisco Giants out of the World Series and into the bay, you make comparisons and issue bold forecasts of impending dominance.

Predicting dynasties is a grand, if futile, baseball tradition. It's every bit a part of the national pastime as spitting and scratching and holding out for another million dollars plus deferred payments.

The best thing about dynasties is that they almost never take form.

There was the great Yankees dy- Gang of the mid-1970s who won three nasty that started in 1949 and ran straight.

through 1953. (Now that was a dynasty: Five World Series titles in a row for Casey Stengel's teams.)

MARC HANSEN

World Series

At the

The last dynasty of note belonged to the A's, the madcap Mustache

Remember the Miraculous Mets dynasty of the '80s? You don't? Never

Which brings us to a dynasty rule of thumb. One title by itself is a phenomenal season; two straight equals dominance; three means dynasty.

Saturday night, after the A's had swept the Series, 9-6, Bob Welch offered the best commentary on the subject of dynasties as they pertain to life its ownself.

Welch, who won 17 games for the A's this season, once lived in San Francisco's Marina district. That was before Oct. 17 when the earthquake destroyed his home.

"Buddy," he told a reporter in the champions' clubhouse, "the only thing you can look forward to tomorrow

with any certainty is that the sun's going to rise."

In other words, don't count on the A's repeating, unless roosters start to crow when they take the field.

Don't count on a rerun, even though Bash and Dash appears to be the most dynamic blend of winning baseball since the '76 Reds.

No, let's wait a year or two before calling Tony La Russa's team the Gold and Green Machine.

That's the advice of Johnny Bench and Joe Morgan, two of the biggest Reds on the Big Red Machine.

In 1975, Cincinnati beat the Red Sox in seven games. In '76, the Reds swept the Phillies in the playoffs and the Yankees in the Series.

The next year, Tony Perez was

traded to the Expos, Don Gullett signed a free-agent contract with the Yankees, and there went the dynasty.

"If we could have had three more years together," Bench said, "we might have won a few more championships."

Bench and Morgan were in Candlestick Park last week working the Series as broadcasters. Before Saturday night's clincher, they were stalked by reporters sensing a sweep and begging for comparisons.

The A's vs. the Reds. "I'd walk onto the field with either

team," Bench said, "and take my chances."

Terry Steinbach vs. Bench at catch-

Mark McGwire vs. Tony Perez at

Associated Press

first base.

Tony Phillips vs. Joe Morgan at

Dave Concepcion vs. Walt Weiss at shortstop.

Pete Rose vs. Carney Lansford at

Rickey Henderson vs. George Fos-

ter in left field. Dave Henderson vs. Cesar Geroni-

mo in center.

Jose Canseco vs. Ken Griffey in right.

Dave Parker vs. Dan Driessen at

designated hitter.

In Morgan's considered opinion,

HANSEN

Adviser's suit at Nebraska goes to trial

Academic counselor says she was illegally fired

By TOM WITOSKY Register Staff Writer

LINCOLN, NEB. — Jury selection is to begin today for a trial to settle a former University of Nebraska academic adviser's claim she was fired illegally after uncovering academic irregularities involving Cornhusker student-athletes.

The civil trial, which will be heard in federal court, could attract national attention because of Nebraska's prominence as a major-college foot-

ball power. Mary Jane Visser, formerly a coordinator of advising in the school's division of general studies, claims in her lawsuit that she was fired illegally in 1988 after months of harassment from officials following her discovery of academic problems involving athletes, particularly football play-

The trial could take two weeks to complete and is expected to include testimony from University of Nebraska officials, including football coach Tom Osborne. The trial also will open the week of preparation for Nebraska's game against Big Eight Conference co-leader Colorado.

It will be the second trial this year in which the academic performance and course selection of student-athletes will be highlighted for the public. Several universities, including the University of Iowa, were tagged for criticism as a result of disclosure of academic records during the federal court trial of New York City sports agents Norby Walters and Llo Bloom. In presenting their defense, lawyers for Bloom and Walters disclosed that academic courses taken slow-pitch softball and billiards.

Nebraska officials deny Visser's dismissal was illegal and her claims of academic favoritism toward members of the Corhusker football team.

In her complaint filed in September 1988, Visser claims her problems began after she notified the Nebraska faculty senate's grading committee of concerns about athletes enrolling in certain health courses and about grade-point averages of athletes, particularly members of the Cornhusker football team.

Gophers' trial might affect NCAA's probe

By ED SHERMAN

© 1989 Chicago Tribune MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. — The trial of a former employee charged with the theft of \$186,000 from the University of Minnesota begins Tuesday, and it could spell trouble for the school and one of its former football

Luther Darville, who worked in the office of minority affairs, is charged with diverting university funds from 1982 through 1988. Darville contends he gave the money to needy minority students, including athletes.

coaches, Notre Dame's Lou Holtz.

The trial may provide evidence for NCAA investigators looking into alleged improprieties in the Minnesota athletic department during a period that includes Holtz's tenure as head football coach in 1984 and 1985.

The NCAA also is examining allegations by a former assistant coach, LeRoy Gardner, that Holtz gave him \$500 and directed him to give it to a player.

"In my 28 years in athletics, this is the first allegation that's been made

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No escape this time

Miami Dolphins quarterback Dan Marino (13) goes down in the arms of Buffalo nose tackle Jeff Wright on Sunday — the first time Marino has been sacked in 19 games and 775 pass attempts. Wright threw Marino for an 11-yard loss in the second quarter at the Miami 1-yard line. The Bills' de-

fense forced Marino to hurry several throws that resulted in three interceptions as the Bills won, 31-17. "Marino didn't have time to take a breath," said Dolphins Coach Don Shula. Indianapolis linebacker Duane Bickett had been the last to sack Marino, on Sept. 25, 1988. NFL Report: Page 4S.

by former lowa athletes Devon Mitchell and Ronnie Harmon included watercolor painting, advanced Harbaugh helps Bears snap three-game slump

By MIKE TERRY © 1989 Gannett News Service

CHICAGO, ILL. — The Los Angeles Rams were facing a team Sunday that was in a worse slump than theirs. No more.

Chicago snapped a three-game losing streak with a 20-10 victory and handed the Rams their third straight Reserve quarterback Jim Har-

baugh replaced Mike Tomczak and led the Bears to two touchdowns in the second half. He got one of them himself on a 1-yard run. "Mike didn't really have a chance

to operate in the first half," Harbaugh said. "We were fortunate because we made some adjustments at halftime." Tomczak completed just four of 16

passes for 29 yards and missed 10 straight. "I didn't have a first half, and it

showed," he said. "That's why he took me out."

But Chicago Coach Mike Ditka would not say if Harbaugh has won

the starting job.

The Bears held Los Angeles to 252 yards and 10 points, both season lows for the Rams. "We're definitely frustrated," said

Los Angeles quarterback Jim Everett, who completed 13 of 35 passes. "We've got to find a way back on Henry Ellard caught five of Ever-

ett's passes for 100 yards.

Everett completed just six of his first 18 passes for 95 yards and one interception that stopped a drive at

the Chicago 9-yard line. "We're relying on him too much," Rams Coach John Robinson said.

Greg Bell's running perked up the Rams. He gained 30 yards on a drive from the Los Angeles 28 to the Chicago 27. But the march stalled there and Mike Lansford kicked a 45-yard field

On the ensuing kickoff, Dennis Gentry broke through five would-be tack-

les and ran 36 yards to the Chicago

That's when Harbaugh entered the

Harbaugh led the Bears to the Los Angeles 18-yard line, and Kevin Butler kicked a 35-yard field goal to tie the score at 3-3.

The Bears got a break in the third quarter when they recovered a fum ble by Bell on the Chicago 44-yard

Harbaugh moved Chicago 56 yards in six plays and Brad Muster scored on a 1-yard plunge. The drive was

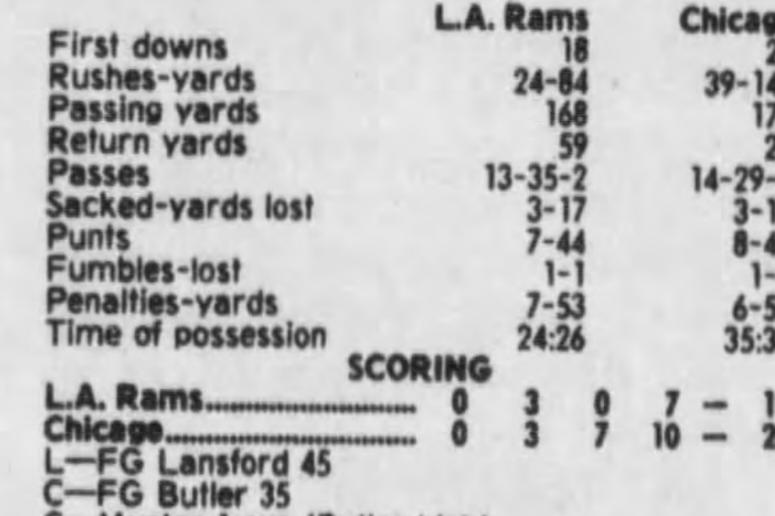
aided by a pass interference call against Anthony Newman at the 24yard line. When Los Angeles had to punt the next time it got the ball, Chicago

went 71 yards in seven snaps. The big play was a 36-yard pass by Harbaugh to Wendell Davis at the 1-yard line. Los Angeles got its touchdown

after a 68-yard march, but Chicago

responded with Butler's second field

"We're a long way away from being a club that's going down the toilet," Robinson said. "But we better get it turned around pretty fast."



-Muster 1 run (Butler kick)
-Harbaugh 1 run (Butler kick) L—Bell 1 run (Lansford kick) C—FG Butler 46

Rushing—Los Angeles: Bell 12-32, Delpino 4-25, G.Green 5-14; Chicago: N.Anderson 22-80, Muster 9-33, Harbaugh 5-31. Passing-Los Angeles: Everett 13-35-2-185; Chicago: Tomczak 4-16-0-29, Harbaugh 10-13-0-157.

Receiving—Los Angeles: Ellard 5-100, McGee 3-29, Delpino 2-26, Holohan 1-13; Chicago: Muster 4-44, Davis 2-49, McKinnon 2-46, Thornton 2-19, Morris 2-11, N.Anderson 1-11.

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playoffs on tap tonight

No. 1 Maquoketa Valley to face tough test in 2-A

By RANDY PETERSON Register Staff Writer

The top-ranked Maquoketa Valley of Delhi football team features one of the top quarterbacks in the state. No. 5 West Marshall features one of the best running backs.

The teams meet tonight in the UNI-Dome in the quarterfinal round of the state Class 2-A high school playoffs.,

Maquoketa Valley is led by Paul Rundquist, who completed 21 of 36 passes for 411 yards in a first-round victory over Wapsie Valley of Fairbank last Wednesday. Rundquist has passed for more than 1,900 yards this

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season and 22 touchdowns, many to receiver, Bruce Wall, who is being recruited by many NCAA Division I col-

"We're not bad in the secondary, but we haven't seen a passing attack like the one we'll see," West Marshall Coach Ken Winkler said. "Rundqui t is a good quarterback and Wall is a good receiver."

Winkler has one of the top rushers in the state in Brian Preston, a senior who needs 146 yards to reach 6,000 for his career. Preston is averaging more than 200 yards a game this season.

"You won't find too many like him," Maquoketa Valley Coach Curt Feldt said. "I don't think anyone's stopped him in two or three years. First, you have to find him, then when you do, you've got to wrap him up."

Sixteen games will be played tonight, and included are defending state Class 3-A champion Decorah, four-time state champion Harlan, record-setting playoff qualifier Emmetsburg and Preston, ranked No. 1 in Class A.

Decorah, No. 2 in Class 3-A, plays Northeast Iowa Conference rival New Hampton in a rematch of what has been the Vikings' toughest game to date. They defeated New Hampton, 21-20, during the regular season. Decorah, which has won the past

two state Class 3-A championships, has won 20 of its last 21 games. The loss was 20-12 to Waverly-Shell Rock last season.

Harlan, top-ranked in Class 3-A and the state leader with four championships, will seek its 10th straight victory tonight against Chariton.

Emmetsburg, No. 2 in Class 2-A and state runner-up the past two seasons, will try to stop West Lyon's winning streak at nine tonight. The E'Hawks' lone loss was to Spencer, a Class 3-A team.

Another runner-up from last season, Preston, will attempt to solidify its hold on the No. 1 spot in Class A tonight against North Mahaska of New Sharon. Preston lost to Schleswig in last year's championship

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RULES MAY CHANGE. Jim Davey, the head of the Oregon Lottery, says he will ask the state's lottery commission today to approve two new options for the Sports Action game that allows people to wager at least \$1 on National Football League games based on point spreads. Davey wants to reduce the minimum number of games on which wagers are made from four to three. He also proposes an option based on the Monday night game, requiring players to pick the outcome of the game based on the point spread and an over-under pick on total points in each half.

FOOTBALL INJURIES. Mississippi defensive back Chuckie Mullins was listed in serious condition Sunday after being paralyzed in Saturday's game against Vanderbilt. Mullins was still unable to move from the neck down on Sunday. Florida State linebacker Kelvin Smith apparently bruised his bruised spinal cord in the Seminoles' 24-10 victory over Miami Saturday night, a school spokesman said Sunday. He was being kept in a hospital for observation.

MISSOURI PLAYER CHARGED. A University of Missouri football player has been charged with the assault of a woman who accused him of breaking her nose at a Columbia bar early Friday. The player, reserve cornerback Darrell Bryant, told police he struck the woman in self defense. Bryant has been charged with two misdemeanor counts of assault. Bryant is the fifth member of the Missouri team to be arrested this semester.

THOMPSON EXCELS. Ray Thompson, leading all scorers for the second straight game, had 30 points as Iowa's top players routed the Hawkeyes' reserves, 103-57 in an intrasquad basketball game Sunday at Creston. Thompson, a 6-foot 5-inch sophomore, scored 26 points Saturday night in the Black team's victory over the White team, 77-61, in West Des Moines.

TV Today

8:30 a.m. (ESM) Golf Nabisco Championships, third round. (R)

Noon (ESN) Tennis European Community Championship, men's singles final. (Tape)

2 a.m. (ESN) Bicycle Racing World Cycling Championships. (R)

8 p.m. (ABC) NFL Minnesota at New York Giants. 🖵

Quote of the Day

"You've got a quality game against a quality opponent and both of the other two state institutions are out of the state. It's frustrating from a coaching standpoint. What do they want us to do?" - Northern Iowa football coach Terry Allen, objecting to the small crowd at Saturday's game against Eastern Illinois at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls. A crowd of 9,128 attended. Earlier this week Allen spent an hour in the student union selling tickets.