

Kennedy's Crocker, McDonnell Sink Regis 7-6

By Jack Ogden
Executive Sports Editor

Regis high school made one too many mistakes and Tracy Crocker did an excellent job of improvising Thursday night at Kingston stadium. As a result, Kennedy came from behind in the final 18 seconds to score a 7-6 football win over the Royals in the opening shot of the 1977 Metro high school football campaign.

The final hero was junior Denny McDonnell, making his first varsity start. He kicked the extra point that gave Kennedy its final edge with just 18 seconds left on the clock.

Regis dominated most of the game and wound up with a sizable statistical edge. But the Royals were also plagued with 60 yards in penalties, some of them at costly times, and a couple of fumbles.

Junior Mike Kaliban got Regis off to a 6-0 lead with 6:12 left in the first half when he went on a reverse up the left side, broke one tackle and rambled 50 yards to score.

That was it until Crocker went over on fourth down from the one-yard line with 18 seconds remaining.

Greg Reed, Kennedy coach and a former Regis star himself, was more than happy. "All I told the kids was

two things. Regis always has a heck of a good team and that good teams can come from behind at halftime."

Tracy, in his third year of varsity competition, did a little improvising on the winning touchdown.

"We had used our last time out and had three plays called," he explained. "After the first two plays, I figured we just couldn't put it over through that Regis line, so I veered to the outside and it worked."

Regis boss Tom Good was disappointed in the outcome, but not in the over-all play of his squad. "We just made too many mistakes," said Good. "We had too many mental er-



rors."

Regis had a chance to wrap up the game late in the third quarter when the Royals drove from their own 43 to the Kennedy five. But a fumble on the first play and then a five-yard penalty set them back to the 12.

Three plays later, fullback Kip Kula, the night's leading rusher, dove to within inches of the goal.

"We never thought about a field goal," said Good after the game. "We felt we could score the touchdown."

The key play of the game came late in the fourth quarter when Regis had the ball on its own 38 with fourth down. Regis punter John Carroll fumbled the snap from center and the Cougars took over at the Regis 31.

That set the stage for the winning drive, but it wasn't easy. Kennedy used four plays to get a

first down on the one, but the Royal defense halted Pete Oates on the next play, then got to Crocker on the two. On the third play, Crocker drove to the one.

Then he did his outside break and caught the Regis defense for the game-tying score.

Regis wound up with 11 first downs to eight for the Cougars and 203 net yards rushing to 144. The Royals also had a big edge in the air as Doug Chadima completed six of his 10 passes for 58 yards. Kyle Galles, who made a couple of big

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Gazette Photo by John McIvor

Kennedy's Denny McDonnell (63, center) touched off jubilant celebration by teammates after kicking deciding extra point



Red Peppers' Pix

Iowa's football coaches are aiming to make sure the Hawkeyes don't try to eat the dessert before the entree. They don't want their team itching for the Iowa State game Sept. 10 and overlooking the main course, the Big Ten race that starts Saturday with Northwestern invading Kinnick stadium.

This corner foresees Iowa winning, but it may be the third straight time that the Hawks snatch victory from the jaws of defeat in the final minutes against Northwestern.

It was 24-21 in 1975 with Iowa's Butch Caldwell hurling a 22-yard pass to Bill Schultz for the winning TD 40 seconds before the gun.

It was 13-10 last season as Caldwell again produced the final score on a 2½-yard run with 3:14 to play. Then Northwestern thought the officials should have called pass interference on Iowa's Cedric Shaw, who accidentally tripped a wide-open Wildcat receiver at the goal line in the final two minutes. Iowa's Rod Sears finally batted down a fourth-down pass to seal it.

So you can't blame Coach Bob Commings for feeling Iowa could develop acute indigestion Saturday by looking ahead to anybody. We'll take 'em like this:

Big Ten

Iowa 20, Northw. 14 (maybe we're flattering Iowa's offense).
Michigan 35, Illinois 7 (no way to treat ex-Michigan aide).
Purdue 26, Mich. State 20 (new coach pulls upset in opener).
Wisconsin 24, Indiana 21 (could go either way, of course).
Minnesota 14, W. Michigan 5 (just another, quiet, breather).
Ohio State 31, Miami, Fla. 10 (still a woody haze over Ohio).

Big Eight

Iowa State 35, Wichita State 7 (easy shake-down for Cy).
Oklahoma 42, Vanderbilt 0 (could be nation's No. 1 team).
Colorado 21, Stanford 13 (always springtime in the Rockies).
Nebraska 27, Wash. State 6 (rougher foes ahead for Big Red).
Okla. State 35, Tulsa 7 (just a romp for Terry Miller).
USC 24, Missouri 14 (revenge for 1976's opening loss).
Texas A&M 30, Kansas 21 (Big Eight edge a bit dulled?).
Brigham Young 17, Kansas State 14 (that's 5-3 for Big Eight).

Iowa Conference

Luther over Augustana, Ill.; Upper Iowa over Iowa Wesleyan; Buena Vista over Westminster; Central over Northwestern; Dubuque over North Park; Wm. Penn over Benedictine; Graceland over Simpson; St. Olaf over Wartburg.

Other Iowa Schools

St. Ambrose over Laras; Arkansas State over Drake; North Dakota over Morningside; Northern Michigan over Northern Iowa; Northern Lights over Arctic.

Pass the Hash

Frederick J. Miller, 1301 B Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids, asks:

"Do you know if Canada observes Labor day as we do in the USA? I saw that the Boston Red Sox played a double-header against Toronto in Toronto on Labor day."

That's easy, Mr. Miller. Yes, Labor day is observed as a legal holiday on the first Monday in September throughout the USA, Puerto Rico and Canada. (President Grover Cleveland signed a bill legalizing Labor day in the USA in 1894.)

Reminds us of a couple of old chestnuts. In one of them, the guy asks if Canada has a Fourth of July. When the reply is in the negative, the next question is: "What do they put between the third and fifth?"

The other one involves the American who asked his English friend if the English celebrate Thanksgiving.

"We certainly do," replied his friend. "Every Fourth of July."

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Game called on account of what?

The Pacific Coast League baseball game at Spokane, Wash., was called after two innings because Umpire Eric Gregg ruled it could be hazardous to his health. The field was wet, so groundskeepers soaked the plate area with gasoline and lit it, hoping the heat would dry out the ground. Gregg couldn't stand the fumes.

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Quoting Baylor Coach Grant Teaff about his opening game: "We could be a quivering mass of Jello or tree-top tall after our game with Texas Tech."

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What's it take to draw a crowd? Well, Wichita State offered 25,000 free cricket clickers and presented fireworks after the game for its opener against West Texas State last Saturday night. The game drew 21,924, and all of the fireworks weren't after the game, as Wichita pulled a 14-10 upset.

Hmm, wonder what they did with those left-over cricket clickers.

Beat Wildcats? Coach Gives Worried 'Yes'

By Gus Schrader
Gazette Sports Editor

Asked if his Iowa team can beat Northwestern in Saturday's opener, Coach Bob Commings gave a qualified "yes" answer.

"Iowa is incapable of beating anybody unless we play with great intensity," said Commings, starting his fourth season as head coach with an 11-22 record.

"What's more, we haven't played a good game coming off a big victory since I've been here. Look at what happened after we beat UCLA in 1974 (27-0 loss to Penn State) or after we beat Penn State last year (55-0 loss to USC). And our final game last year was a big win for us — 30-17 over Michigan State."

Commings didn't discount the fact the Michigan State game was 9½ months ago and this is a new season.

Perhaps afflicted with the misgivings that assail coaches just before they put their teams on the field for the openers, he also felt downcast because the Big Ten Skywriters ranked his Hawkeyes eighth in the conference.

"That hurts a little," he admitted. "Just last week a New York writer picked us as the most logical team if anybody but Michigan and Ohio State has a chance in the Big Ten."

"It's definitely not a motivation for us to think we don't figure any higher than eighth. But, as John Pont (Northwestern coach) says, we aren't playing the Big Ten Skywriters."

The Hawkeyes are playing the Wildcats, however, and Commings just hopes the football fans in the state don't get his team's attention focused on next week's meeting with Iowa State. He admits Iowa was "flat-out lucky" to beat Northwestern the last two years and can't overlook anyone — even if Northwestern was ranked dead last by the Skywriters.

There was some good news Friday: Scott Schilling, the Wauwatosa walk-on who won the placekicking job last spring, has recovered from an attack of food poisoning. Al-

Offensive Lineups

IOWA	NORTHWESTERN
Swift, 235	TE Cleary, 244
Tomasetti, 255	LT Herzog, 245
Mayer, 241	LG Molec, 242
Jim Hagenberg, 230	C Soderberg, 224
Benschoter, 256	RG Henderson, 230
Palladio, 255	RT Ardzzone, 245
Brody, 180	SE Bailey, 191
McLaughlin, 197	QB Stranski, 217
Sheeler, 192	RB Rushing, 196
Lazar, 210	FB Reitzing, 215
Cook, 161	FL Sheets, 175
Schilling, 220	K Mirkopoulos, 192

Defensive Lineups

Wagner, 230	LE Grell, 220
Willis, 264	LT Szostak, 250
Hufford, 238	RT Weitzman, 260
Vazquez, 235	RE Kendrick, 205
Moore, 210	LLB Stanley, 225
Rusk, 222	MLB-MG Vercelli, 231
Jackson, 195	MLB Maliv, 210
Seors, 185	CB Bobowski, 172
Slech, 185	CB Knafelic, 186
Show, 190	SS Gageon, 194
Becker, 188	FS Hunter, 189
Holsclow, 193	P Martin, 205

Time, place: 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Kinnick stadium.
Tickets: \$3,000 expected, tickets (\$8) on sale at gate, knothole tickets (\$4) on sale at south end zone for those high school ages or under.
Radio, originating stations: KGRN, WHO, WMT, KHAK, KXIC, KSTT, KDTH, KWPC, KGLG, KOKX.
Series: Iowa leads 23-14-3.

though he lost about 10 pounds (he can spare some weight, as he was listed at 6 feet and 220), Schilling returned to practice and was kicking 40-yard field goals Thursday.

Tarkanian Blasts NCAA

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Nevada-Las Vegas basketball Coach Jerry Tarkanian kept his Armenian mouth shut for the most part Thursday and let a legal document do his talking as he unleashed an indictment of the National Collegiate Athletic Assn.

Two weeks ago, the NCAA announced that the UNLV basketball program was being placed on two years of probation for numerous violations of NCAA bylaws. Some of the infractions dated back seven years.

As part of its penalty, the NCAA recommended that Tarkanian be se-

Another hopeful sign: Ernie Sheeler, regarded as No. 1 of the three excellent tailbacks, is running 100 percent again after recovering from a pulled hamstring.

And the Iowa coaches are high in praise of Jon Lazar, junior fullback from Tama ("he's the most punishing player on the whole squad"), cornerback Roger Stech ("he's our bionic man") and the linebacking corps ("it could be the best in the Big Ten").

The game may see two men from Mt. Vernon tangle head-on. Iowa's Joe "Puffy" Hufford, junior tackle from Mt. Vernon, Iowa, has recovered from a knee infection and will start at defensive tackle. He will be chasing Scott Stranski, Northwestern's junior QB from Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Iowa expects the Wildcats to throw at least 35 passes — unless they get ahead early and opt for more conservatism. Stranski is a natural thrower: He is the No. 1 pitcher on the Northwestern baseball team (7-1 record last spring) who could have signed a pro baseball contract.

vered from the UNLV athletic program during the probationary period.

UNLV President Dr. Donald Baeppler sent a letter to "Tark the Shark" on Wednesday, informing the coach that there was no alternative but suspension from his athletic duties.

Tarkanian answered with a lawsuit against the university, Baeppler and the University of Nevada board of regents, and won a temporary restraining order Thursday prohibiting the university from imposing the suspension.

'Best Ever' Connors Tops Orantes, Turnbull Stuns Wade

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. (AP) — Back problems and past accomplishments notwithstanding, Jimmy Connors may be a greater contender now than ever.

"It may be the best I ever saw him play, on clay especially," said Spain's Manuel Orantes, who lost to Connors Thursday night, 6-2, 6-4, 6-3, in the most hotly-contested match yet in the nine days of the U.S. Open tennis championships.

Connors enters the semifinals against Corrado Barazzutti, the little-known Italian who thrashed the tournament's third-seed Brian Gottfried of Lauderhill, Fla., 6-2, 6-1, 6-2 Thursday.

Orantes had been considered one of the men who could take Connors down a peg in this Open. He did it in 1975 after Jimmy's brilliant 1974 season, and took him in straight sets this summer in the finals of the U.S. Clay Court championship at Indianapolis.

The sell-out crowd of 12,497 watched as Connors hit deep, sledgehammer shots frequently right on the line or in the corners. Orantes' ground stroke seemed aimless, particularly off his backhand.

"I've played a few good matches on clay," said Connors, the 25-year-old from Belleville, Ill., who is the defending champion here but sec-

ond-seeded behind Sweden's Bjorn Borg, who defaulted earlier this week.

"I can't think of anywhere I was hitting the ball hard, getting so much pace on the ball, hitting everything so consistently. I did everything well."

The 28-year-old Spaniard couldn't have agreed more. "To beat Connors," he said, "you have to make him play bad."

As for those exquisitely precise shots, said Connors, "I was taught that lines were there to be hit. I was trying to hit the lines with as much velocity as I could get on the ball, and that's the way it worked out."

Connors strained his back 12 days ago and defaulted the U.S. Pro in Boston. He hasn't had much sympathy from fellow players, some of whom suggested that he seems always to be injured when he faces a big match or must defend a title.

But the reverent Orantes said politely, "I think there are guys who play better when they have injuries."

In other quarter-final matches,

No. 2 Martina Navratilova of Dallas beat Mima Jausovec, the 10th seed from Yugoslavia, 6-4, 6-1. Wimbledon champion Virginia Wade fell to No. 12 Wendy Turnbull of Australia, 6-2, 6-1.

Wade, the third seed from England, blamed the clay surface and the earliness of her match — 11 a.m. — for her poor play.

"Even when I'm trying to be aggressive, I find I'm still tentative on this surface," she said. "All week long I've played so many messy points, and I'm not alone. I think the women feel we're just not well-equipped to play on clay."

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September 17	Iowa	12:30
September 24	Bowling Green	12:15
October 1	Dayton	1:15
October 8	Missouri	1:15
October 15	Nebraska	1:15
October 22	Oklahoma	1:15
October 29	Kansas	1:15
November 5	Colorado	1:15
November 12	Kansas State	1:15
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ISU Ready For Shockers

By Bob Hersom
Gazette Sports Writer

AMES — Iowa State opens its football season at 1:30 p.m. Saturday against either a) The Little Sisters of the Poor or b) the Shockers.

The Cyclones' opening foe, Wichita State, has been nicknamed "The Little Sisters of the Poor" by Iowa football coach Bob Comings, whose Hawkeyes host ISU in the game next Saturday.

"Iowa State could get ready for Wichita on Friday night," snorts Comings.

You can be sure of two things: 1) Comings' comments will be posted in Wichita's locker room, and 2) WSU's official nickname is the Shockers. It would be quite a shocker if they win, too.

Sure, the Shockers are unbeaten, as they posted a 14-10 home victory over West Texas State last Saturday. But:

- They were outgained 346-219.
- They have lost 21 of their last 22 road games.
- They have been outscored 194-0 in their last five games against Big Eight conference opponents.
- They haven't even scored on a Big Eight team since losing to Oklahoma State 31-7 in 1964.

What's more, Iowa State is ranked 19th in the UPI pre-season poll and possesses a 63-19-4 record in season openers.

And 35 Cyclone lettermen are back from last year's team that finished 8-3 and second in the nation in total offense. Coach Earle Bruce was named Big Eight Coach of the Year.

"We've pushed this team harder than any team we've had," Bruce says, "because we want to get off to a good start. This squad reported in better condition than any team I've ever had."

Iowa State's offense will feature the running of junior tailback Dexter Green. Despite playing over half of last season on a knee that later required surgery, he ran for 1,074 yards, third-best rushing total in ISU history.

The big question mark in the Cyclones' offense, most observers say, is at quarterback. Both Wayne Stanley and Buddy Hardeman, who shared the QB duties a year ago, are gone. Mike Tryon, a former Ames high school star, will be the starter. Last year he completed seven of 13 passes for 95 yards.

"My major concern right now," says Bruce, "is our passing game. The mechanics are there but we need a lot of work on our timing."

Wichita State Coach Jim Wright, whose three-year record with the

Offensive Lineups

IOWA STATE	TE	WICHITA STATE
Preston 206	TE	Cicero 215
Cuvelier 266	LT	Bales 250
Grissinger 244	LG	Odum 255
Boehm 230	C	Moore 235
Cunningham 248	RG	Hodges 235
Stonerook 236	RT	Canaday 227
Hixon 165	SE	Hanning 180
Tryon 184	QB	Burger 180
Green 162	TB	Bailey 190
Cummins 185	FB	Haney 190
Selomon 177	SB	Hall 180

Defensive Lineups

IOWA STATE	LE	WICHITA STATE
White 200	LE	Stenzel 210
Stensrud 265	LT	Vincent 250
McFarland 256	NG	Jankowski 232
Randall 251	RE	Blue 230
Volkens 212	RE	Smith 222
Boakey 211	LB	Shurman 225
Settle 216	LB	Reichenberger 195
Perricone 183	FS	Landrum 170
Hart 180	CB	Taylor 185
Clemens 184	CB	Sumler 185
Schwartz 172	SS	Kettler 190

TIME AND PLACE: 1:30 p.m., Iowa State's stadium.
RADIO: KTOF-FM, Cedar Rapids.
SERIES: 1st meeting.
CROWD: 40-to 45,000; not a sell out.

Shockers is 8-24-1, probably is worried about his passing game, too. The Shockers completed just one pass for five yards last Saturday.

Defensively, Iowa State should boast one of the nation's best — and biggest — interior trios in tackles Mike Stensrud (6-4, 265) and Tom Randall (6-6, 251) and middle guard Ron McFarland (6-1, 256).

Stensrud and Randall are both beginning their third season as starters. McFarland, who suffered a knee injury in last year's opener against Drake and missed the remainder of the season, enters his fourth year as a starter.

Wichita State will field a very young team in its first battle with a Big Eight team since 1975, when it lost to Oklahoma State (34-0), Kansas State (32-0) and Colorado (52-0).

Eight underclassmen will start for the Shockers on offense, six on defense.

Wichita's biggest offensive threat will most likely be fullback Jeff Haney, a 5-11, 190-pound junior. He finished second in Valley conference rushing last season with 731 yards in 155 carries. In last week's opener he ran 15 times for 86 yards.

It will be the first football meeting between the Cyclones and Shockers. A crowd of 40-45,000 is expected at Iowa State's three-year-old stadium.

ISU also opened last season against a Valley conference opponent. The Cyclones drubbed Drake 58-14.

West Central Nabs 9th Win

MAYNARD — Sue Wedemeier struck out 11 and pitched West Central to a 3-0 girls' softball win over West Union North Thursday. West Central improved its record to 9-1.

Wash Boys Win

Iowa City's Matt Trimble took individual honors, but Cedar Rapids Washington won a boys cross-country triangular meet at the two-mile Noelridge park course Thursday.

Wash totaled 28 points, Iowa City 30 and Linn-Mar 73. In the junior varsity meet, Washington won with 15 points, Iowa City had 61 and Linn-Mar 98.

Jeff Girls Win

DUBUQUE — Peggy Petersen, Sue Petrzalek and Jody Molitor were triple winners as C.R. Jefferson defeated Dubuque Senior 107-62 in swimming. Rosie Sharp won two events. The JV meet was a 7-67-6 tie.

200 medley relay: Jeff (Rosie Sharp, Marie Kabeitz, Peggy Petersen, Sue Petrzalek), 2:07.4. 200 free: Jody Molitor, J., 2:08.2. 200 IM: Sharp, J., 2:41.1. 50 free: Petrzalek, J., 27.7. Diving: Sue Behlmer, S., 212.8. 100 fly: Petersen, J., 1:13.5. 100 free: C. Dvorak, J., 1:02.0. 500 free: Molitor, J., 5:45.5. 100 back: Petersen, J., 1:12.8. 100 breast: Alice Packard, S., 1:18.9. 400 free relay: Jeff (Petrzalek, Sue Dvorak, C. Dvorak, Molitor), 4:08.6.

Jeff Girls Roll

Prairie's Andi Noeller captured individual honors but Jefferson placed three girls in the top five to score a 16-20 girls' cross-country win at Prairie Thursday.

Top Five

1. Andi Noeller, P.; 2. Nancy Munson, J.; 3. Jean Johnson, J.; 4. Nancy Clisar, P.; 5. Lisa Campbell, J.; 12:42.

Jeff Escapes

Jefferson defeated Prairie, 26-29, in boys prep cross-country at Prairie Thursday. In the junior varsity meet, Scott Peterson's first place led the J-Hawks to a 19-36 win.

Varsity Top 5

1. George Zach, P.; 2. Alex Riddles, J.; 3. Jackson Willy, J.; 4. Kevin Brown, P.; 5. Brian Frenndt, P.; 10:34.

Marion Meet Set

The annual Marion Cross-Country Invitational meet will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in Squaw Creek park. Teams competing will be Marion, Independence, Iowa City West, C.R. LaSalle, Linn-Mar, West Delaware C.R. Prairie, Western Dubuque and Vinton.



Dramatic Finish

Kennedy's Tracy Crocker (foreground) bolted into the end zone with just 18 seconds left in the game to tie Regis 6-6 and set up the winning extra point by Denny McDonnell Thursday night in a Metro football clash in Kingston stadium.

Gazette Photo by John McIvor

Kennedy

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runs in Kennedy's TD drive, could hit on only one of his five passes and the Royals intercepted a pair.

Kula carried the ball 18 times for 92 yards for Regis, while Kaliban, who didn't start, had 81 yards in just six carries.

Crocker was the workhorse for Kennedy. He carried 18 times for 62 of Kennedy's 144 yards.

Regis — Kennedy

	Regis (6)	Kennedy (7)
First Downs	11	8
Yards Rushing	203	144
Yards Passing	58	6
Passes	6-10-0	1-5-2
Punts	3-27	6-37
Fumbles-lost	3-1	0-0
Yards Penalized	60	15

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Regis	0	6	0	0	6
Kennedy	0	0	0	0	7

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Regis: T — Mike Kaliban (50 yards).
Kennedy: TD — Tracy Crocker (1 yard). XP — Denny McDonnell (kick).

Palmer Leads

ENDICOTT, N.Y. (AP) — Arnold Palmer showed the style Thursday that made him a golfing legend and shot a six-under-par 65 to tie Lee Elder for the lead after the first round in the \$100,000 B.C. Open.

Major Hoople Likes Irish, Houston Chances

By Major Amos B. Hoople

Pigskin Prophet

Egad, friends, the season is just one week old and we are already facing a "crucial" Saturday as most of the major powers swing into action and some of them in very interesting confrontations.

Heading the list of outstanding engagements will be the TV pair featuring defending national champion Pittsburgh and potential national champion Notre Dame on Saturday and defending Southwest conference titleholder Houston against invading UCLA on Monday night, Sept. 12.

Egad! Those games are worth the price of admission. (Editor's Note: Yes, but Hoople has never been known to pay!)

Notre Dame, with a defense like Fort Knox, figures to get even with Pitt, which whipped the Irish two years in a row. Pitt will miss the

dancing feet of departed Tony Dorsett, but with quarterback Matt Cavanaugh at the controls they will give Notre Dame a tussle before falling 28-14.

We see slight underdog Houston slipping past Terry Donohue's boys.

In the other contests, Alabama will start its run for another Southeastern crown by edging Mississippi 17-10, under the lights in Birmingham; Texas Tech's Red Raiders should have little trouble disposing of Baylor, 36-14; Johnny Majors will make his return to his alma mater as head coach, a memorable one as his Tennessee Vols turn back California, 21-14, and Colorado will be rude hosts as the Buffaloes outscore Stanford's Cardinals, 30-20.

Michigan's power-laden Wolverines will romp over Illinois, 36-14; and likewise, Ohio State should roll over Miami, 35-20, to spoil Lou Saban's debut as the Hurricanes' coach.

Southern Cal should beat Missouri 30-14 — um-kumph!

Fran Curci has his best ever club at Kentucky, but with the Wildcats on NCAA probation they can't win the league title or play in a bowl game. None of this, however, should deter the Wildcats from playing their best and squeezing by a good North Carolina eleven, 21-17.

Now go on with my forecast:

Sat., Sept. 10

- Air Force 26, Wyoming 12
- Alabama 17, Mississippi 10
- Arizona 28, Auburn 7
- Arkansas 22, New Mex. St. 6
- Army 14, Massachusetts 12
- Texas Tech 36, Baylor 14
- Texas 27, Boston college 7
- Kansas St. 24, Brigham Young 21
- Tennessee 21, California 14
- Navv 24, Citadel 6
- Maryland 30, Clemson 14
- Rutgers 25, Colgate 12
- Colorado 30, Stanford 20
- E. Carolina 28, Duke 22
- Florida St. 27, S. Mississippi 15
- N. Tex. St. 21, UTEP 7
- Wake Forest 35, Furman 7
- Georgia 31, Oregon 13
- Georgia Tech 21, S. Carolina 14
- Michigan 36, Illinois 14
- Indiana 17, Wisconsin 14

Mon., Sept. 12

Houston 24, UCLA 21

Prep Volleyball

Jeff-Kennedy

VARSITY: Kennedy 15-4, 15-10, 15-7
JV: Kennedy 15-8, 1-15, 15-8
SOPHS: Jefferson 15-4, 15-9

LaSalle-Prairie

VARSITY: LaSalle 15-12, 17-15, 15-4
JV: LaSalle 15-12, 15-10
SOPHS: Prairie 15-13, 10-15, 15-13

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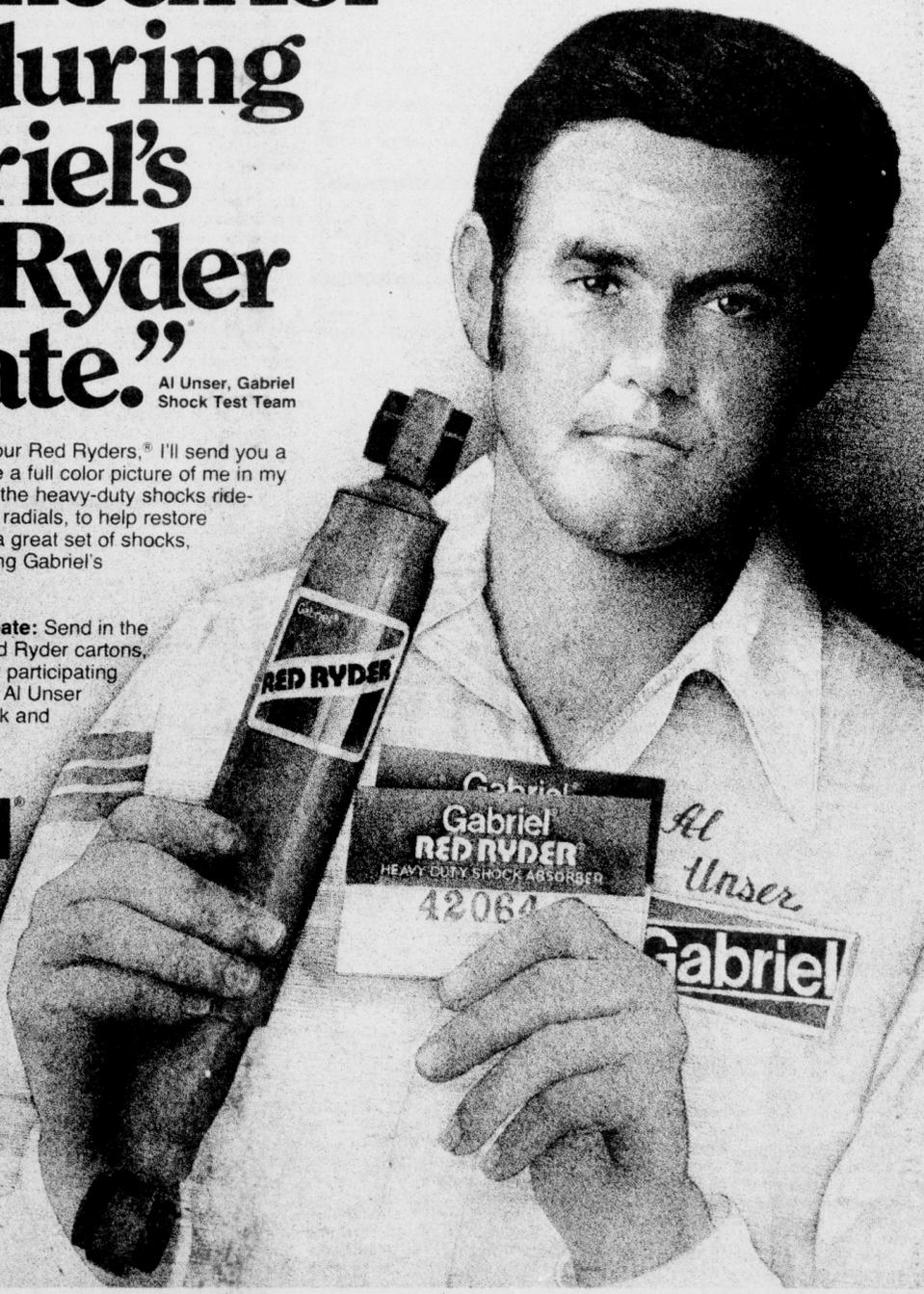
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Gabriel

People who know shocks, go Gabriel.



Nissen Open

In Sook Bhushan, the No. 1 ranked women's table tennis player in the United States, will compete Saturday and Sunday in the Nissen Open at Kennedy high.

Competition begins at 10 a.m. Saturday and finals begin Sunday at 2 p.m. Over 160 entries have been received, including John Stillions, the defending 13-under champ and women's open champ, Angie Rosal of San Diego. Admission is free.

Central Romps

ELKADER — Elkader Central zipped to a 14-4 girls softball win over Fayette Thursday. Shelley Wessel had a grand slam home run for Central and Janet DeSotal had two hits and Christy Berger three hits for the winners, now 6-2.

Benton Wins

VAN HORNE — Lisa Pippert singled in Kim Gardemann, who had tripled in the bottom of the seventh inning to give Benton Community a 5-4 girls' softball win over Green Mountain Thursday. Pippert also hit a two-run homer and singled in the third.

Norway Tourney

NORWAY — Norway will host a four-team baseball tournament Sunday. Walford and Watkins will meet at 12:30, followed by the Newhall-Norway game at 3 p.m. The two winners will play at 5:30.

Luther at ISU

AMES — Luther will meet Iowa State in a women's cross-country meet at 11:30 a.m. Saturday on Veenker golf course. This is a new sport at Luther. Running for ISU will be Betsy Bowers, Barb Brown, Sue Deppe, Connie Reints, Diane Vetter and Marcia Vagts of West Union.

Local Golf

Elmcrest Country Club

Women's golf medalists: Mrs. Robert Condon 88 for 18, Mrs. Bert Katz 47 for 9. Net winners in 18-hole flights: Mrs. Katz 45 in championship, Mrs. Joe Cain 90 in A, Mrs. Russ Jones 95 in B, Mrs. Bert Stitzel 97 in C, Mrs. Robert Cornes 106 in D. Net winners in 9-hole flights: Mrs. Katz 45 in championship, Mrs. Richard Geiger 46 in A, Mrs. Don Kaliban 55 in B, Mrs. J.A. Rehnstrom 54 in C, Mrs. Larry Naso 58 in D. Guest prizes: Mrs. Fred Rust and Mrs. Leo Smulekoff.